

Bills Committee on Product Eco-responsibility (Amendment) Bill 2013

List of follow-up actions arising from the meeting on 17 December 2013

The Administration is requested –

- (a) to clarify its position on the suggestion of monitoring the usage of plastic shopping bags ("PSBs") before and after the implementation of the proposed extension of the Environmental Levy Scheme on Plastic Shopping Bags ("the extended Scheme") by gathering statistics on the import of PSBs;
- (b) to advise the administrative measures for monitoring the usage of PSBs after the extended Scheme has been implemented;
- (c) to clarify how a bag would be regarded as a bag which is "specifically designed for containing the goods" under the proposed section 1(4)(a) of Schedule 2;
- (d) regarding the Administration's proposed Committee Stage amendments (LC Paper No. CB(1)432/13-14(01)), to explain the relationship between the commencement date and the dates which would be specified in the relevant provisions of Schedule 5; and
- (e) having regard to members' view that the proposed fixed penalty level of \$2,000 for a specified offence under the proposed section 28A(4) is on the high side, to consider lowering the penalty level.

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