

A BILL

To

Amend the Hong Kong Arts Development Council Ordinance to remove the restriction of cross-interest nomination of persons for appointment as members of the Hong Kong Arts Development Council; and to modify the provision on specification of nominators to provide for specifying organizations or individuals (or both) for each of the interests listed in the Ordinance.

Enacted by the Legislative Council.

1. Short title

This Ordinance may be cited as the Hong Kong Arts Development Council (Amendment) Ordinance 2013.

2. Hong Kong Arts Development Council Ordinance amended

The Hong Kong Arts Development Council Ordinance (Cap. 472) is amended as set out in section 3.

3. Section 3 amended (establishment of the Council)

(1) Section 3(4)—

Repeal

“organizations or groups of organizations specified under subsection (5), and each such organization or group of organizations may nominate for this purpose”

Substitute

“organizations and individuals specified under subsection (5), and organizations and individuals so specified representing an interest may (for that interest) or all organizations and individuals so specified may (for any or all interests listed under subsection (5)) make nomination for this purpose so that”.

- (2) Section 3(4)—

Repeal

“for each of the interests represented by that organization or group of organizations”

Substitute

“is nominated for each of the interests”.

- (3) Section 3(5)—

Repeal

“for the purposes of subsection (4) up to 10 organizations or groups of organizations each of which shall, in the opinion of the Chief Executive, be representative of one or more of the following interests”

Substitute

“, for each of the following interests, organizations or individuals (or both) which or who are, in the opinion of the Chief Executive, representative of that interest”.

Explanatory Memorandum

This Bill amends the Hong Kong Arts Development Council Ordinance (Cap. 472) (*the Ordinance*).

2. Under section 3(4) and (5) of the Ordinance—
 - (a) organizations or groups of organizations may be specified by the Chief Executive for the purpose of nominating persons for appointment as members of the Hong Kong Arts Development Council; and
 - (b) each such organization or group of organizations may nominate not more than one person for each of the interests represented by that organization or group of organizations.

3. The object of the Bill is to amend those provisions—
 - (a) to change from specifying organizations or groups of organizations to specifying organizations or individuals (or both) for each of the interests listed in section 3(5) of the Ordinance; and
 - (b) to remove the restriction of cross-interest nomination under section 3(4) of the Ordinance.