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Position Report on Bills Committees and subcommittees (as at 23 April 2013)

Summary	1.	Number of Bills Committees in action	:	8	(see <u>List A</u> for details)
	2.	Number of vacant slots of Bills Committees	:	8	
	3.	Number of bill pending resumption of Second Reading debate	:	1	(see <u>List B</u> for details)
	4.	Subcommittee on Members' Remuneration and Operating Expenses Reimbursement	:		(see <u>List C</u> for details)
	5.	Number of subcommittees on subsidiary legislation/draft subsidiary legislation/ other instruments in action	:	5	(see <u>List D</u> for details)
	6.	Subcommittee on Proposed Senior Judicial Appointments	:		(see <u>List E</u> for details)
	7.	Number of subcommittee on policy issues under House Committee in action	:	1	(see <u>List F</u> for details)
	8.	Number of other subcommittee under House Committee in action	:	1	(see <u>List G</u> for details)
	9.	Number of subcommittees under Panels in action	:	7	(see <u>List H</u> for details)
	10	Number of subcommittees on policy issues on the waiting list	:	3	(see <u>List I</u> for details)

List A: Bills Committees in action								
	Date of introduction of Bill into	Date of formation of Bills	Date and number of	Date to report to	Expected date for resumption			
Name of Bills Committee	Legislative	Committee	meetings	House	of Second			
Clerk	Council	Chairman/Deputy Chairman	_	Committee	Reading debate	Remarks		
 Bills Committee on Stamp Duty (Amendment) Bill 2012 Ms Annette LAM CCS(1)3 Tel: 3919 3103 	9.1.13	11.1.13 Hon Starry LEE Wai-king, JP (Chairman) Hon James TO Kun-sun (Deputy Chairman)	8 18.1.13 25.1.13 4.2.13 18.2.13 28.2.13 18.3.13 8.4.13 22.4.13	12.4.13 (verbal report)		Next meeting tentatively scheduled for 2.5.13 to meet with the Administration.		
2. Bills Committee on Inland Revenue and Stamp Duty Legislation (Alternative Bond Schemes) (Amendment) Bill 2012 - Ms Connie SZETO CCS(1)4 Tel: 3919 3104		11.1.13 Hon CHAN Kam-lam, SBS, JP	4 29.1.13 18.3.13 5.4.13 15.4.13			The Bills Committee has held four meetings since 29.1.13, and considers it necessary to work beyond three months since commencement of its work. Next meeting tentatively scheduled for 30.4.13 to meet with the Administration.		
 3. Bills Committee on Pesticides (Amendment) Bill 2013 - Ms Amy YU CCS(2)6 Tel: 3919 3206 	6.2.13	8.2.13 Hon SIN Chung-kai, SBS, JP	4 26.2.13 15.3.13 15.4.13 22.4.13			Next meeting to be held on 9.5.13 to meet with the Administration.		

Name of Bills Committee Clerk 4. Bills Committee on Trust Law (Amendment) Bill 2013 - Ms Sharon CHUNG CCS(1)6 Tel: 3919 3106	Date of introduction of Bill into Legislative Council 20.2.13	Date of formation of Bills Committee Chairman/Deputy Chairman 22.2.13 Hon NG Leung-sing, SBS, JP (Chairman) Hon Kenneth LEUNG (Deputy Chairman)	Date and number of meetings held 4 1.3.13 19.3.13 9.4.13 22.4.13	Date to report to House Committee	Expected date for resumption of Second Reading debate	Remarks Next meeting to be scheduled.
 5. Bills Committee on District Councils (Amendment) Bill 2013 - Ms Joanne MAK CCS(2)3 Tel: 3919 3203 	20.2.13	22.2.13 Hon IP Kwok-him, GBS, JP	3 1.3.13 27.3.13 9.4.13	3.5.12		Reporting to the House Committee on 3.5.13.
6. Bills Committee on Air Pollution Control (Amendment) Bill 2013 - Ms Sophie LAU CCS(1)2 Tel: 3919 3102	20.3.13	22.3.13 Hon Charles Peter MOK	1 16.4.13			Next meeting to be held on 25.5.13 to meet with deputations and the Administration.
 7. Bills Committee on Education (Amendment) Bill 2013 - Miss Polly YEUNG CCS(4)4 Tel: 3919 3402 	27.3.13	12.4.13 Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan	1 22.4.13			Next meeting to be held on 18.5.13 to meet with deputations and the Administration.

	Date of					
	introduction		Date and	Date to	Expected date	
	of Bill into	Date of formation of Bills	number of	report to	for resumption	
Name of Bills Committee	Legislative	Committee	meetings	House	of Second	
Clerk	Council	Chairman/Deputy Chairman	held	Committee	Reading debate	Remarks
8. Bills Committee on Stamp Duty	17.4.13	19.4.13				First meeting to be held on 3.5.13
(Amendment) Bill 2013						to elect the Chairman.
- Ms Annette LAM						
CCS(1)3						
Tel: 3919 3103						

List B: Bill pending resumption of Second Reading debate							
Name of Bill	Date of introduction of Bill into Legislative Council	Date of House Committee meeting(s) at which the Bill was considered	Date of resumption of Second Reading debate (if known)	Remarks			
1. Pilotage (Amendment) Bill 2013	20.3.13	22.3.13	8.5.13	The Administration has given notice to resume the Second Reading debate on the Bill at the Council meeting of 8.5.13.			

List C : Subcommitt	ee on Members' Remun	eration and	Operating 1	Expenses Reimbursement
	Date of formation of	Date and	Date to report	
Name of Subcommittee	Subcommittee	number of	to House	
Clerk	Chairman/Deputy Chairman	meetings held	Committee	Remarks
Subcommittee on Members' Remuneration	26.10.12	1		The Subcommittee has invited Members' views
and Operating Expenses Reimbursement		4.12.12		on pursuing with the Administration the
- Mr Matthew LOO	Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing, JP			outstanding proposals as set out in the
PCS(A)				Subcommittee's report on "Review of the
Tel: 3919 3010				Operating Expenses Reimbursement for
				Legislative Council Members" published in
				March 2011 vide LC Paper No. AS126/12-13
				issued on 7 January 2013. A total of 59
				Members have provided their views and the
				Secretariat is now collating the views for the
				Subcommittee's consideration.
				On behalf of the Subcommittee, the Secretariat
				has written to urge the Administration to review
				the reimbursement conditions and ceiling in
				respect of long service payments and severance
				payments for Members' staff.

List D: Subcommittees on subsidiary legislation/draft subsidiary legislation/other instruments in action

	Date of formation of	Date and		
Name of Subcommittee	Subcommittee	number of	Date to report to	
Clerk	Chairman/Deputy Chairman	meetings held	House Committee	Remarks
1. Subcommittee on Subsidiary Legislation	8.2.13	6	15.3.13	As the Council meeting of 17.4.13 was
Made under the New Companies Ordinance		21.2.13	(Verbal report)	adjourned due to a lack of quorum, the
- Ms Connie SZETO	Hon WONG Ting-kwong,	27.2.13	(First report issued to	proposed resolution to be moved by the
CCS(1)4	SBS, JP	6.3.13	Members on 19.3.13)	Chairman to extend the scrutiny period
Tel: 3919 3104	(Chairman)	12.3.13		of two Regulations to 15.5.13 will be
		9.4.13		dealt with at the Council meeting of
	Hon Kenneth LEUNG	16.4.13		24.4.13.
	(Deputy Chairman)			
			3.5.13	Reporting to the House Committee on
				the second batch of subsidiary legislation
				on 3.5.13 subject to no further views
				from members on the Administration's
				written response to be provided on
				follow-up actions.
2. Subcommittee on Frontier Closed Area	12.4.13			First meeting to be held on 30.4.13 to
(Amendment) Order 2013 and Frontier				elect the Chairman and meet with the
Closed Area (Permission to Enter)				Administration.
(Amendment) Notice 2013				
- Miss Betty MA				
CCS(2)1				
Tel: 3919 3201				
3. Subcommittee on Proposed Resolution	12.4.13			First meeting to be held on 30.4.13 to
under the Road Traffic Ordinance and the				elect the Chairman and meet with the
Road Traffic (Driving-offence Points)				Administration.
Ordinance				
- Ms Sophie LAU				
CCS(1)2				
Tel: 3919 3102				

	Date of formation of	Date and		
Name of Subcommittee	Subcommittee	number of	Date to report to	
Clerk	Chairman/Deputy Chairman	meetings held	House Committee	Remarks
 4. Subcommittee on Banking (Capital) (Amendment) Rules 2013 and Banking (Disclosure) (Amendment) Rules 2013 - Ms Connie SZETO CCS(1)4 Tel: 3919 3104 	19.4.13			First meeting to be held on 30.4.13 to elect the Chairman and meet with the Administration.
5. Subcommittee on Residential Care Homes (Persons with Disabilities) Ordinance (Commencement) Notice 2013 - Miss Betty MA	19.4.13			First meeting to be held on 29.4.13 to elect the Chairman and meet with the Administration.

List E : Subcommittee on Proposed Senior Judicial Appointments							
	Date of formation of	Date and	Date to report				
Name of Subcommittee	Subcommittee	number of	to House				
Clerk	Chairman/Deputy Chairman	meetings held	Committee	Remarks			
Subcommittee on Proposed Senior	12.4.13	1		Pending the response to outstanding issues from the			
Judicial Appointments		23.4.13		Administration, the Subcommittee will consider the need			
- Miss Mary SO	Hon Dennis KWOK			to hold a further meeting.			
CCS(4)2							
Tel: 3919 3404							

List F: Subcommittee on policy issues under House Committee in action							
	Date of formation of	Number of meetings					
Name of Subcommittee	Subcommittee	held					
Clerk	Chairman/Deputy Chairman	(Date of first meeting)	Terms of reference of the subcommittee				
1. Subcommittee on Poverty	12.10.12	5	To study relevant policies and measures to ease				
- Mr Colin CHUI		(5.11.12)	the disparity between the rich and the poor and				
CCS(2)4	Hon Frederick FUNG		alleviate poverty, follow up the work of the				
Tel: 3919 3204	Kin-kee, SBS, JP		Government's Commission on Poverty and make				
	(Chairman)		timely recommendations.				
	Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung (Deputy Chairman)						

List G : Other subcommittee under House Committee in action						
	Date of formation of	Number of meetings				
Name of Subcommittee	Subcommittee	held				
Clerk	Chairman/Deputy Chairman	(Date of first meeting)	Terms of reference of the subcommittee			
1. Subcommittee to Examine the Implementation	12.10.12	2	To examine the implementation in Hong Kong			
in Hong Kong of Resolutions of the United		(31.10.12)	resolutions of the United Nations Security			
Nations Security Council in relation to	Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan		Council in relation to sanctions by Regulations			
Sanctions			made under section 3 of the United Nations			
- Ms Annette LAM			Sanctions Ordinance (Cap. 537) and to follow up			
CCS(1)3			the recommendations made by the previous			
Tel: 3919 3103			Subcommittee.			

List H : Subcommittees under Panels in action							
Name of Subcommittee		Date of formation of Subcommittee	Number of meetings held				
Clerk	Panel	Chairman/Deputy Chairman	(Date of first meeting)	Terms of reference of the subcommittee			
 Subcommittee on Matters Relating to Railways Ms Sophie LAU CCS(1)2 Tel: 3919 3102 	Panel on Transport	Hon CHAN Kam-lam, SBS, JP (Chairman) Ir Dr Hon LO Wai-kwok, BBS, MH, JP (Deputy Chairman)	3 (30.11.12)	To follow up various issues relating to the planning and implementation of new railway projects, and the operation of existing railways.			
 2. Joint Subcommittee on Long-term Care Policy - Mr Colin CHUI CCS(2)4 Tel: 3919 3204 	Panel on Welfare Services and Panel on Health Services	19.11.12 Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung (Chairman) Hon TANG Ka-piu (Deputy Chairman)	5 (14.12.12)	To study the long-term care policy and services, including home-based, community-based and residential care services for the elderly, people with disabilities and the chronically ill, discuss the policy concerned with the Administration and make timely recommendations.			
3. Subcommittee on Health Protection Scheme - Ms Elyssa WONG CCS(2)5 Tel: 3919 3205	Panel on Health Services	19.11.12 Dr Hon LEUNG Ka-lau	3 (12.12.12)	To study issues relating to the introduction of Health Protection Scheme as proposed by the Government for the Second Stage Public Consultation on Healthcare Reform and make recommendations where necessary.			

		Date of formation of	Number of meetings	
Name of Subcommittee		Subcommittee	held	
Clerk	Panel	Chairman/Deputy Chairman	(Date of first meeting)	Terms of reference of the subcommittee
4. Subcommittee on Issues Relating	Panel on	26.11.12	5	To monitor and review government policies
to Air, Noise and Light Pollution	Environmental	20.11.12	(12.12.12)	on and initiatives to address problems of air,
- Ms Miranda HON	Affairs	Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan	(12.12.12)	noise and light pollution for better protection
CCS(1)1	Allalis	Tion Cyd 110 Sau-ian		of public health.
Tel: 3919 3101				of public hearth.
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5. Subcommittee on the Long Term	Panel on Housing	3.12.12	4	To study all relevant housing-related
Housing Strategy	T uner on Housing	3.12.12	(18.12.12)	information and ways to increase housing
- Ms Miranda HON		Hon WONG Kwok-hing,	(10.12.12)	supply to meet the needs of various groups in
CCS(1)1		MH		the community, and make recommendations
Tel: 3919 3101		(Chairman)		on the Long Term Housing Strategy.
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		Hon Tony TSE Wai-chuen		
		(Deputy Chairman)		
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6. Subcommittee on Integrated	Panel on	11.12.12	2	To study and review the existing policy on
Education	Education		(8.1.13)	integrated education, including the support
- Miss Polly YEUNG		Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG		measures for students with special
CCS(4)4		Chiu-hung		educational needs and the strengthening of
Tel: 3919 3402		(Chairman)		teaching, administrative and financial
				support for special schools and schools
		Hon IP Kin-yuen		implementing integrated education, and
		(Deputy Chairman)		make timely recommendations.
7. Joint Subcommittee to Monitor	Panel on Home	11.1.13	4	To monitor issues relating to the
the Implementation of the West	Affairs and		(29.1.13)	implementation of the West Kowloon
Kowloon Cultural District	Panel on	Hon Christopher CHUNG		Cultural District project, including the work
Project	Development	Shu-kun, BBS, MH, JP		of West Kowloon Cultural District Authority,
- Ms Alice LEUNG		(Chairman)		the project's interface with arts and cultural
CCS(2)2		Ham Alam LEONG K. L. L. C.C.		development, and other related matters.
Tel: 3919 3202		Hon Alan LEONG Kah-kit, SC		
		(Deputy Chairman)		

List I: Subcommittees on policy issues on the waiting list						
	Date of appointment					
Name of Subcommittee	of Subcommittee	Terms of reference of the subcommittee	Remarks			
Subcommittee on Retirement Protection under the Panel on Welfare Services	14.1.13	To study issues relating to the retirement life of all people, and to follow up on the proposal of setting up and implementation of universal retirement protection for all people in Hong Kong.	25.1.13, Members agreed that the			
2. Subcommittee on Strategy and Measures to Tackle Domestic Violence under the Panel on Welfare Services	21.1.13	To study issues relating to the strategy and measures to tackle domestic violence, including: (a) statistics, definition, identification and assessment of domestic violence; (b) relocation of accommodation, emotional support and various follow-up services for victims; (c) legal proceedings relating to cases of domestic violence, as well as anti-violence programmes and counselling services for batterers; (d) measures to prevent domestic violence and review on child fatality and serious cases; (e) manpower, resources and workload of the relevant organizations and government departments, as well as co-ordination among various services; (f) special needs of specific groups, including children, new-arrivals, ethnic minorities, homosexuals and transgendered persons, etc.; and (g) policies and follow-ups on domestic violence.	Services on 21.1.13, members agreed to appoint the Subcommittee and noted that it would be placed on the waiting list.			

	Date of appointment		
Name of Subcommittee	of Subcommittee	Terms of reference of the subcommittee	Remarks
3. Subcommittee on Issues	5.2.13	To study and review issues relating to the policy	At the meeting of the Panel on Food Safety and
Relating to Public Markets		and business environment of public markets;	Environmental Hygiene on 5.2.13, members
under the Panel on Food		assess the demand for public markets according to	agreed to appoint the Subcommittee and noted
Safety and Environmental		the district-based principle; examine the	that it would be placed on the waiting list.
Hygiene		Administration's proposals for the rental	
		adjustment mechanism and air-conditioning	
		charging arrangement for public market stalls; and	
		make timely recommendations.	