

## **Legislative Council Brief**

### **Construction Industry Legislation (Miscellaneous Amendments) Ordinance 2012 (Ord. No. 17 of 2012)**

### **Construction Industry Legislation (Miscellaneous Amendments) Ordinance 2012 (Commencement) Notice**

This paper serves to inform Members that the Construction Industry Legislation (Miscellaneous Amendments) Ordinance 2012 (Commencement) Notice will be published in the Gazette on 5 October 2012.

#### **Background**

2. The Construction Industry Legislation (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill 2012 was passed by this Council on 22 June 2012. The Construction Industry Legislation (Miscellaneous Amendments) Ordinance 2012 (Ord. No. 17 of 2012) (the Ordinance) was published in the Gazette on 29 June 2012.

3. The Ordinance is to amend the Construction Workers Registration Ordinance and the Construction Industry Council Ordinance to provide for the amalgamation of the Construction Industry Council (CIC) and the Construction Workers Registration Authority (CWRA) to achieve synergy and enhance the operational efficiency of the amalgamated body for the benefit of construction industry. The Ordinance also provides for improvement of the construction workers registration system as well as makes incidental, consequential and related amendments.

4. The Ordinance stipulates that upon amalgamation, CWRA will be dissolved and its functions transferred to CIC, and a new Construction Workers Registration Board will be formed under CIC to continue the work of CWRA. Besides, the Ordinance provides for the continuance of employment for CWRA's staff who will become employees of CIC with no break or interruption in their employment, and on terms and conditions no less favourable than those applicable to their contracts with CWRA.

## **The Notice**

5. Under section 1(2) of the Ordinance, the Secretary for Development has appointed 1 January 2013 as the day on which the Ordinance comes into operation via the Construction Industry Legislation (Miscellaneous Amendments) Ordinance 2012 (Commencement) Notice. The Notice will be published in the gazette on 5 October 2012.

## **Enquiries**

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