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Position Report on Bills Committees and subcommittees (as at 5 February 2014)

Summary	1. Number of Bills Committees in action	: 7 (see <u>List A</u> for details)
	2. Number of Bills Committee reporting to House Committee on 7.2.14	: 1 (see <u>List B</u> for details)
	3. Number of vacant slots of Bills Committees	: 8
	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	: 4 (see <u>List D</u> for details)
	6. Number of other subcommittee under House Committee in action	: 1 (see <u>List E</u> for details)
	7. Number of subcommittees under Panels in action	: 8 (see <u>List F</u> for details)
	8. Number of subcommittees on policy issues on the waiting list	: 4 (see <u>List G</u> for details)

List A : Bills Committees in action							
Name of Bills Committee Clerk 1. Bills Committee on Stamp Duty (Amendment) Bill 2013 - Ms Annette LAM CCS(1)3 Tel: 3919 3103	Date of introduction of Bill into Legislative Council 17.4.13	Date of formation of Bills Committee Chairman/Deputy Chairman 19.4.13 Hon Starry LEE Wai-king, JP (Chairman) Hon James TO Kun-sun (Deputy Chairman)	8 3.5.13	Date to report to House Committee	Expected date for resumption of Second Reading debate	Remarks Next meeting to be held on 24.2.14 to meet with the Administration.	
 2. Bills Committee on Product Eco-responsibility (Amendment) Bill 2013 - Ms Miranda HON CCS(1)1 Tel: 3919 3101 	8.5.13	10.5.13 Dr Hon Kenneth CHAN Ka-lok	10 31.5.13 18.6.13 9.7.13 23.7.13 8.10.13 22.10.13 8.11.13 29.11.13 17.12.13 8.1.14			Next meeting to be held on 18.2.14 to meet with the Administration.	

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	Date of					
	introduction		Date and	Date to	Expected date	
of Bill into Date of formation of Bills n		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
3. Bills Committee on Securities	10.7.13	12.7.13	8			Next meeting to be held on
and Futures (Amendment) Bill			24.7.13			17.2.14 to meet with the
2013		Hon CHAN Kam-lam,	30.9.13			Administration.
- Ms Connie SZETO		SBS, JP	15.10.13			1
CCS(1)4		(Chairman)	28.10.13			
Tel: 3919 3104		(Chairman)	12.11.13			
101.37173101		Hon Christoper CHEUNG	22.11.13			
		Wah-fung, JP	10.12.13			
		(Deputy Chairman)	20.12.13			
		(Deputy Chairman)	20.12.13			
4. Bills Committee on Child	17.7.13	4.10.13	3			Next meeting to be held on
Abduction Legislation	17.7.13	4.10.13	24.10.13			11.2.14 to meet with the
(Miscellaneous Amendments)		Hon Dennis KWOK	20.12.13			Administration.
Bill 2013		Hon Dennis RWOR	21.1.14			Administration.
			21.1.14			
- Miss Betty MA						
CCS(2)1						
Tel: 3919 3201						
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5. Bills Committee on Rural	13.11.13	15.11.13	3			Next meeting to be held on 7.2.14
Representative Election		H BY III CDG ID	3.12.13			to meet with the Administration.
Legislation (Amendment) Bill		Hon IP Kwok-him, GBS, JP	6.1.14			
2013			(2 sessions)			
- Ms Alice LEUNG			13.1.14			
CCS(2)2						
Tel: 3919 3202						

Name of Bills Committee Clerk	Date of introduction of Bill into Legislative Council	Date of formation of Bills Committee Chairman/Deputy Chairman	Date and number of meetings held	Date to report to House Committee	Expected date for resumption of Second Reading debate	Remarks
6. Bills Committee on Inland Revenue (Amendment) (No.3)		10.1.14	1 28.1.14			Pending the Administration's written response to outstanding
Bill 2013		Hon WONG Ting-kwong,	20.1.1			issues, the Bills Committee will
- Ms Connie SZETO		SBS, JP				consider the need to hold a further
CCS(1)4 Tel: 3919 3104						meeting.
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7. Bills Committee on Loans (Amendment) Bill 2014 - Ms Connie SZETO	22.1.14	24.1.14				First meeting to be held on 25.2.14 to elect the Chairman and meet with the Administration.
CCS(1)4 Tel: 3919 3104						with the Hammistration.

List B: Bills Committee reporting to House Committee on 7.2.14						
Name of Bills Committee Clerk 1. Bills Committee on Stamp Duty (Amendment) Bill 2012 - Ms Annette LAM CCS(1)3 Tel: 3919 3103	Date of introduction of Bill into Legislative Council 9.1.13	Date of formation of Bills Committee Chairman/Deputy Chairman 11.1.13 Hon Starry LEE Wai-king, JP (Chairman) Hon James TO Kun-sun (Deputy Chairman)	Date and number of meetings held 21 18.1.13 25.1.13 4.2.13 18.2.13 28.2.13 18.3.13 8.4.13 22.4.13 20.5.13 7.6.13 17.6.13 8.7.13 16.9.13 3.10.13 15.10.13 28.10.13 18.11.13 3.12.13 20.12.13 6.1.14 10.1.14	Date to report to House Committee 7.2.14	Expected date for resumption of Second Reading debate 19.2.14	Remarks Reporting to the House Committee on 7.2.14.

List C : Subcommittee on Members' Remuneration and Operating 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	2		The Subcommittee is conducting a survey on				
and Operating Expenses Reimbursement		4.12.12		staff turnover in Members' offices.				
- Ms Dora WAI	Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing, JP	7.6.13						
PCS1								
Tel: 3919 3660								

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
Subcommittee on Fugitive Offenders (Czech	8.11.13	4	13.12.13	Pending the response to outstanding
Republic) Order, Mutual Legal Assistance	0.11.13	22.11.13	(Verbal report)	issues from the Administration, the
in Criminal Matters (Spain) Order and	Hon James TO Kun-sun	5.12.13	(First report issued	Subcommittee will consider the need to
Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal	Tion James 10 Run Sun	10.12.13	to Members on	hold a further meeting.
Matters (Czech Republic) Order		21.1.14	30.12.13)	noid a further meeting.
- Miss Betty MA		21.1.11	30.12.13)	
CCS(2)1				
Tel: 3919 3201				
101.3717 3201				
2. Subcommittee on Antiquities and	3.1.14	2		The Subcommittee will make a verbal
Monuments (Declaration of Historical	0.17.1	14.1.14		report to the House Committee on
Buildings) (No. 2) Notice 2013	Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki	29.1.14		7.2.14.
- Mr Anthony CHU				
SCS(1)6				
Tel: 3919 3111				
3. Subcommittee on Air Pollution Control	24.1.14			First meeting to be held on 5.2.14 to
(Marine Light Diesel) Regulation				elect the Chairman and meet with the
- Miss Mary SO				Administration.
CCS(4)2				
Tel: 3919 3419				
4. Subcommittee on Road Traffic	24.1.14			First meeting to be held on 10.2.14 to
(Construction and Maintenance of Vehicles)				elect the Chairman and meet with the
(Amendment) Regulation 2014				Administration.
- Ms Sophie LAU				
CCS(1)2				
Tel: 3919 3102				

List E: 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	5	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 F : Subcommittees under Panels in action						
Name of Subcommittee Clerk 1. Subcommittee on Matters Relating to Railways under the Panel on Transport - Ms Sophie LAU CCS(1)2 Tel: 3919 3102	Date of formation of Subcommittee Chairman/Deputy Chairman 16.11.12 Hon Michael TIEN Puk-sun, BBS, JP (Chairman) Hon CHAN Han-pan (Deputy Chairman)	Number of meetings held (Date of first meeting) 10 (30.11.12)	Terms of reference of the subcommittee To follow up various issues relating to the planning and implementation of new railway projects, and the operation of existing railways.	Remarks As decided at the House Committee meeting on 15.11.13, permission has been given for the Subcommittee to continue to operate for three more months in the first instance after the expiry of its period of work (i.e. until 28.2.14), after which the Subcommittee will be put on the waiting list for reactivation. A vacant slot is expected to arise on 18.3.14 to accommodate its reactivation.		
 Joint Subcommittee on Long-term Care Policy under the Panel on Welfare Services and Panel on Health Services Mr Colin CHUI CCS(2)4 Tel: 3919 3204 	19.11.12 Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung (Chairman) Hon TANG Ka-piu (Deputy Chairman)	12 (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.	As decided at the House Committee meeting on 15.11.13, permission has been given for the Joint Subcommittee to continue to operate for three more months in the first instance after the expiry of its period of work (i.e. until 13.3.14), after which the Subcommittee will be put on the waiting list for reactivation. (<i>P.T.O</i>)		

Name of Subcommittee Clerk 2. Joint Subcommittee on Longterm Care Policy under the Panel on Welfare Services and Panel on Health Services - Mr Colin CHUI CCS(2)4 Tel: 3919 3204 (Continued from previous page)	Date of formation of Subcommittee Chairman/Deputy Chairman	Number of meetings held (Date of first meeting)	Terms of reference of the subcommittee	Remarks At its meeting on 9.12.13, the Panel on Welfare Services agreed that the Subcommittee on Strategy and Measures to Tackle Domestic Violence appointed under the Panel would not activate for the time being when a slot was vacated by the Joint Subcommittee on 14.3.14, so that the Joint Subcommittee would be able to reactivate immediately after expiry of the three-month period on 14.3.14 until completion of its work by end of July 2014. Such an arrangement was also agreed by the Panel on Health Services at its meeting on 20.1.14.
3. Subcommittee on Health Protection Scheme under the Panel on Health Services - Ms Maisie LAM CCS(2)5 Tel: 3919 3205	19.11.12 Dr Hon LEUNG Ka-lau	7 (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.	As decided at the House Committee meeting on 15.11.13, permission has been given for the Subcommittee to continue to operate for three more months in the first instance after the expiry of its period of work (i.e. until 11.3.14), after which the Subcommittee will be put on the waiting list for reactivation. If additional resources are available to the Secretariat with effect from 1.4.14, the Subcommittee would be able to reactivate by that time.
4. Subcommittee on Issues Relating to Air, Noise and Light Pollution under the Panel on Environmental Affairs - Ms Miranda HON CCS(1)1 Tel: 3919 3101	26.11.12 Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan	9 (12.12.12)	To monitor and review government policies on and initiatives to address problems of air, noise and light pollution for better protection of public health.	As decided at the House Committee meeting on 15.11.13, permission has been given for the Subcommittee to continue to operate for three more months after the expiry of its period of work, i.e. until 11.3.14.

Name of Subcommittee Clerk 5. Subcommittee on the Long Term Housing Strategy under the Panel on Housing	Date of formation of Subcommittee Chairman/Deputy Chairman 3.12.12 Hon WONG Kwok-hing,	Number of meetings held (Date of first meeting) 10 (18.12.12)	Terms of reference of the subcommittee To study all relevant housing-related information and ways to increase housing supply to meet	Remarks As decided at the House Committee meeting on 15.11.13, permission has been given for the Subcommittee to
- Ms Miranda HON CCS(1)1 Tel : 3919 3101	BBS, MH (Chairman) Hon Tony TSE Wai-chuen (Deputy Chairman)		the needs of various groups in the community, and make recommendations on the Long Term Housing Strategy.	continue to operate for three more months in the first instance after the expiry of its period of work (i.e. until 17.3.14), after which the Subcommittee will be put on the waiting list for reactivation. If additional resources are available to the Secretariat with effect from 1.4.14, the Subcommittee would be able to reactivate by that time.
6. Subcommittee on Integrated Education under the Panel on Education -Miss Polly YEUNG CCS(4)4 Tel: 3919 3402	Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung (Chairman) Hon IP Kin-yuen (Deputy Chairman)	11 (8.1.13)	To study and review the existing policy on integrated education, including the support measures for students with special educational needs and the strengthening of teaching, administrative and financial support for special schools and schools implementing integrated education, and make timely recommendations.	As decided at the House Committee meeting on 15.11.13, permission has been given for the Subcommittee to continue to operate for three more months in the first instance after the expiry of its period of work (i.e. until 7.4.14), after which the Subcommittee will be put on the waiting list for reactivation. If no new subcommittee on policy issues is set up in the interim and additional resources are available to the Secretariat with effect from 1.4.14, the Subcommittee would be able to reactivate immediately after the expiry of the three-month period until end of September 2014.

Name of Subcommittee Clerk	Date of formation of Subcommittee Chairman/Deputy Chairman		Terms of reference of the subcommittee	Remarks
7. Joint Subcommittee to Monitor the Implementation of the West Kowloon Cultural District Project under the Panel on Home Affairs and Panel on Development - Ms Amy YU CCS(2)6 Tel: 3919 3206	Hon Christopher CHUNG Shu-kun, BBS, MH, JP (Chairman) Hon Alan LEONG Kah-kit, SC (Deputy Chairman)	9 (29.1.13)	To monitor issues relating to the implementation of the West Kowloon Cultural District project, including the work of West Kowloon Cultural District Authority, the project's interface with arts and cultural development, and other related matters.	meeting on 15.11.13, permission has been given for the Joint Subcommittee to continue to operate for three more months in the first instance after the
8. Subcommittee on Retirement Protection under the Panel on Welfare Services - Miss Betty MA CCS(2)1 Tel: 3919 3201	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.	First meeting to be scheduled.

List G : Subcommittees on policy issues on the waiting list						
Name of Subcommittee 1. Subcommittee on Strategy and Measures to Tackle Domestic Violence under the Panel on Welfare Services	Date of appointment of Subcommittee 21.1.13	Terms of reference of the subcommittee 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.	Committee meeting on 15.11.13 and as agreed by the Panel on Welfare Services at its meeting on 9.12.13, the Subcommittee will only activate upon the completion of work of the			

Na 2.	me of Subcommittee Subcommittee on Issues Relating to Public Markets under the Panel on Food Safety and Environmental Hygiene	Date of appointment of Subcommittee 5.2.13	Terms of reference of the subcommittee To study and review issues relating to the policy and business environment of public markets; assess the demand for public markets according to the district-based principle; examine the Administration's proposals for the rental adjustment mechanism and air-conditioning charging arrangement for public market stalls; and make timely recommendations.	Remarks Pursuant to the decision made at the House Committee meeting on 15.11.13, the Subcommittee can commence work when a vacant slot becomes available to accommodate its activation, which is expected to be 1.3.14.
3.	Subcommittee on Hawker Policy under the Panel on Food Safety and Environmental Hygiene	9.7.13	To study and review the hawker policy with the objectives of facilitating the long-term development of the hawking trade and improvement of the management and operating environment of the hawker areas and make timely recommendations.	Pursuant to the decision made at the House Committee meeting on 15.11.13, the Subcommittee can commence work when a vacant slot becomes available to accommodate its activation, which is expected to be 12.3.14.
4.	Subcommittee on Poverty under the House Committee	12.10.12 (Suspension of work awaiting reactivation with effect from 5.2.14)	To study relevant policies and measures to ease the disparity between the rich and the poor and alleviate poverty, follow up the work of the Government's Commission on Poverty and make timely recommendations.	Pursuant to the decision made at the House Committee meeting on 15.11.13, the Subcommittee has been placed on the waiting list for reactivation since 5.2.14 after expiry of the three-month extended period of work. A vacant slot is expected to arise on 12.3.14 to accommodate its reactivation. Upon reactivation, the Subcommittee should complete its work within the remainder of the extension period originally sought, i.e. about 9.5 months.