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**Position Report on Bills Committees and subcommittees
(as at 18 March 2014)**

Summary	1. Number of Bills Committees in action	:	2	(see <u>List A</u> for details)
	2. Number of vacant slots of Bills Committee	:	14	
	3. Number of bills pending resumption of Second Reading debate	:	5	(see <u>List B</u> for details)
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	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	:	3	(see <u>List D</u> for details)
	6. Number of subcommittee on policy issues under House Committee in action	:	1	(see <u>List E</u> for details)
	7. Number of other subcommittee under House Committee in action	:	1	(see <u>List F</u> for details)
	8. Number of subcommittees under Panels in action	:	7	(see <u>List G</u> for details)
9. Number of subcommittees on policy issues on the waiting list	:	3	(see <u>List H</u> for details)	

List A : Bills Committees in action

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
1. Bills Committee on Stamp Duty (Amendment) Bill 2013 - Ms Annette LAM CCS(1)3 Tel : 3919 3103	17.4.13	19.4.13 Hon Starry LEE Wai-king, JP (Chairman) Hon James TO Kun-sun (Deputy Chairman)	10 3.5.13 31.5.13 13.6.13 (2 sessions) 15.7.13 21.10.13 22.11.13 13.12.13 29.1.14 24.2.14 14.3.14			Next meeting to be held on 28.3.14 to meet with the Administration.
2. Bills Committee on Child Abduction Legislation (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill 2013 - Miss Betty MA CCS(2)1 Tel : 3919 3201	17.7.13	4.10.13 Hon Dennis KWOK	4 24.10.13 20.12.13 21.1.14 11.2.14			Next meeting to be held on 25.3.14 to meet with the Administration.

List B : Bills 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. Product Eco-responsibility (Amendment) Bill 2013	8.5.13	10.5.13 28.2.14	19.3.14	The Administration has given notice to resume the Second Reading debate on the Bill at the Council meeting of 19.3.14.
2. Inland Revenue (Amendment) (No.3) Bill 2013	8.1.14	10.1.14 28.2.14	19.3.14	The Administration has given notice to resume the Second Reading debate on the Bill at the Council meeting of 19.3.14.
3. Securities and Futures (Amendment) Bill 2013	10.7.13	12.7.13 14.3.14	26.3.14	The Administration has given notice to resume the Second Reading debate on the Bill at the Council meeting of 26.3.14.
4. Rural Representative Election Legislation (Amendment) Bill 2013	13.11.13	15.11.13 14.3.14	26.3.14	The Administration has given notice to resume the Second Reading debate on the Bill at the Council meeting of 26.3.14.
5. Loans (Amendment) Bill 2014	22.1.14	25.1.14 14.3.14	26.3.14	The Administration has given notice to resume the Second Reading debate on the Bill at the Council meeting of 26.3.14.

List C : Subcommittee on Members' Remuneration and Operating Expenses Reimbursement

Name of Subcommittee Clerk	Date of formation of Subcommittee Chairman/Deputy Chairman	Date and number of meetings held	Date to report to House Committee	Remarks
Subcommittee on Members' Remuneration and Operating Expenses Reimbursement - Ms Dora WAI PCS1 Tel : 3919 3660	26.10.12 Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing, JP	2 4.12.12 7.6.13		The Subcommittee is conducting a survey on staff turnover in Members' offices.

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

Name of Subcommittee Clerk	Date of formation of Subcommittee Chairman/Deputy Chairman	Date and number of meetings held	Date to report to House Committee	Remarks
1. Subcommittee on Toys and Children's Products Safety (Additional Safety Standards or Requirements) Regulation, Toys and Children's Products Safety Regulation (Repeal) Regulation and Toys and Children's Products Safety (Amendment) Ordinance 2013 (Commencement) Notice - Ms Joanne MAK CCS(2)3 Tel : 3919 3203	21.2.14 Hon Jeffrey LAM Kin-fung, GBS, JP	2 28.2.14 14.3.14		Next meeting to be held on 21.3.14 to meet with deputations and the Administration.
2. Subcommittee on Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Po Leung Kuk - Ms Alice LEUNG CCS(2)2 Tel : 3919 3202	28.2.14			First meeting to be held on 19.3.14 to elect the Chairman and meet with the Administration and representatives of Po Leung Kuk.
3. Subcommittee on Rating (Exemption) Order 2014 - Ms Angel SHEK SCS(1)4 Tel : 3919 3113	28.2.14 Hon Andrew LEUNG Kwan-yuen, GBS, JP	1 13.3.14		Pending the Administration's response to outstanding issues, the Bills Committee will consider the need to hold a further meeting.

List E : Subcommittee on policy issues under House Committee in action

Name of Subcommittee Clerk	Date of formation of Subcommittee Chairman/Deputy Chairman	Number of meetings held (Date of first meeting)	Terms of reference of the subcommittee	Remarks
1. Subcommittee on Poverty - Mr Colin CHUI CCS(2)4 Tel : 3919 3204	12.10.12 Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee, SBS, JP (Chairman) Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung (Deputy Chairman)	16 (5.11.12)	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.	The Subcommittee reactivated its work on 12.3.14. The Subcommittee should complete its work within the remainder of the extension period originally sought, i.e. about 9.5 months.

List F : Other subcommittee under House Committee in action

Name of Subcommittee Clerk	Date of formation of Subcommittee Chairman/Deputy Chairman	Number of meetings held (Date of first meeting)	Terms of reference of the subcommittee
1. Subcommittee to Examine the Implementation in Hong Kong of Resolutions of the United Nations Security Council in relation to Sanctions - Ms Annette LAM CCS(1)3 Tel : 3919 3103	12.10.12 Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan	5 (31.10.12)	To examine the implementation in Hong Kong resolutions of the United Nations Security Council in relation to sanctions by Regulations made under section 3 of the United Nations Sanctions Ordinance (Cap. 537) and to follow up the recommendations made by the previous Subcommittee.

List G : Subcommittees under Panels in action

Name of Subcommittee Clerk	Date of formation of Subcommittee Chairman/Deputy Chairman	Number of meetings held (Date of first meeting)	Terms of reference of the subcommittee	Remarks
<p>1. Joint Subcommittee on Long-term Care Policy under the Panel on Welfare Services and Panel on Health Services</p> <p>- Mr Colin CHUI CCS(2)4 Tel : 3919 3204</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">19.11.12</p> <p>Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung (Chairman)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Hon TANG Ka-piu (Deputy Chairman)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">13 (14.12.12)</p>	<p>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.</p>	<p>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.</p> <p>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.</p>

Name of Subcommittee Clerk	Date of formation of Subcommittee Chairman/Deputy Chairman	Number of meetings held (Date of first meeting)	Terms of reference of the subcommittee	Remarks
<p>2. Subcommittee on Integrated Education under the Panel on Education</p> <p>- Miss Polly YEUNG CCS(4)4 Tel : 3919 3402</p>	<p>11.12.12</p> <p>Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung (Chairman)</p> <p>Hon IP Kin-yuen (Deputy Chairman)</p>	<p>13 (8.1.13)</p>	<p>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.</p>	<p>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. As additional resources will be available to the Secretariat with effect from the next financial year, should no new subcommittee on policy issues be set up in the interim, the Subcommittee may reactivate immediately after the expiry of the three-month period and work until end of September 2014.</p>
<p>3. Joint Subcommittee to Monitor the Implementation of the West Kowloon Cultural District Project under the Panel on Home Affairs and Panel on Development</p> <p>- Ms Amy YU CCS(2)6 Tel : 3919 3206</p>	<p>11.1.13</p> <p>Hon Christopher CHUNG Shu-kun, BBS, MH, JP (Chairman)</p> <p>Hon Alan LEONG Kah-kit, SC (Deputy Chairman)</p>	<p>9 (29.1.13)</p>	<p>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.</p>	<p>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 28.4.14), after which the Subcommittee will be put on the waiting list for reactivation. As additional resources will be available to the Secretariat with effect from the next financial year, should no new subcommittee on policy issues be set up in the interim, the Joint Subcommittee may reactivate immediately after the expiry of the three-month period and work until end of September 2014.</p>

Name of Subcommittee Clerk	Date of formation of Subcommittee Chairman/Deputy Chairman	Number of meetings held (Date of first meeting)	Terms of reference of the subcommittee	Remarks
4. Subcommittee on Retirement Protection under the Panel on Welfare Services - Miss Betty MA CCS(2)1 Tel : 3919 3201	14.1.13 Hon CHAN Yuen-han, SBS, JP (Chairman) Hon CHEUNG Kwok-che (Deputy Chairman)	1 (25.2.14)	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.	—
5. Subcommittee on Issues Relating to Public Markets under the Panel on Food Safety and Environmental Hygiene - Ms Alice LEUNG CCS(2)2 Tel : 3919 3202	5.2.13		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.	First meeting to be held on 25.3.14 to elect the Chairman and meet with the Administration.

Name of Subcommittee Clerk	Date of formation of Subcommittee Chairman/Deputy Chairman	Number of meetings held (Date of first meeting)	Terms of reference of the subcommittee	Remarks
6. Subcommittee on Hawker Policy under the Panel on Food Safety and Environmental Hygiene - Ms Debbie YAU CCS(A) Tel : 3919 3012	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.	First meeting to be scheduled.
7. Subcommittee on Matters Relating to Railways under the Panel on Transport - Ms Sophie LAU CCS(1)2 Tel : 3919 3102	16.11.12 Hon Michael TIEN Puk-sun, BBS, JP (Chairman) Hon CHAN Han-pan (Deputy Chairman)	11 (30.11.12)	To follow up various issues relating to the planning and implementation of new railway projects, and the operation of existing railways.	The Subcommittee reactivated its work on 18.3.14. The Subcommittee should complete its work within the remainder of the extension period originally sought, i.e. about 7 months.

List H : Subcommittees on policy issues on the waiting list

Name of Subcommittee	Date of appointment of Subcommittee	Terms of reference of the subcommittee	Remarks
1. Subcommittee on Strategy and Measures to Tackle Domestic Violence under the Panel on Welfare Services	21.1.13	<p>To study issues relating to the strategy and measures to tackle domestic violence, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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. 	Pursuant to the decision made at the House 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 Joint Subcommittee on Long-term Care Policy by end of July 2014.

Name of Subcommittee	Date of appointment of Subcommittee	Terms of reference of the subcommittee	Remarks
2. Subcommittee on Health Protection Scheme under the Panel on Health Services	19.11.12 (Suspension of work awaiting reactivation with effect from 12.3.14)	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.	<p>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 12.3.14 after expiry of the three-month extended period of work. If no new subcommittee on policy issues is set up in the interim, the Subcommittee may reactivate on 1.4.14 when additional resources are available to the Secretariat with effect from the next financial year.</p> <p>Upon reactivation, the Subcommittee should complete its work within the remainder of the extension period originally sought, i.e. about 6.5 months.</p>
3. Subcommittee on the Long Term Housing Strategy under the Panel on Housing	3.12.12 (Suspension of work awaiting reactivation with effect from 18.3.14)	To study all relevant housing-related information and ways to increase housing supply to meet the needs of various groups in the community, and make recommendations on the Long Term Housing Strategy.	<p>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 18.3.14 after expiry of the three-month extended period of work. If no new subcommittee on policy issues is set up in the interim, the Subcommittee may reactivate on 1.4.14 when additional resources are available to the Secretariat with effect from the next financial year.</p> <p>Upon reactivation, the Subcommittee should complete its work within the remainder of the extension period originally sought, i.e. about 6.5 months.</p>