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Position Report on Bills Committees and subcommittees (as at 25 March 2014)

Summary	1.	Number of Bills Committees in action	:	5	(see <u>List A</u> for details)
	2.	Number of vacant slots of Bills Committee	:	11	
_	3.	Number of bills pending resumption of Second Reading debate	:	3	(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	:	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

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)	10 3.5.13	Date to report to House Committee	Expected date for resumption of Second Reading debate	Remarks 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	5 24.10.13 20.12.13 21.1.14 11.2.14 25.3.14			Next meeting to be scheduled.	
 3. Bills Committee on Shipping Legislation (Control of Smoke Emission) (Amendment) Bill 2014 - Ms Debbie YAU CCS(A) Tel: 3919 3012 		21.3.14				First meeting to be scheduled.	

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
 4. Bills Committee on Marriage (Amendment) Bill 2014 - Ms Amy YU CCS(2)6 Tel: 3919 3206 	19.3.14	21.3.14				First meeting to be held on 1.4.14 to elect the Chairman and meet with the Administration.
 5. Bills Committee on Dutiable Commodities (Amendment) Bill 2014 - Mr Derek LO CCS(1)5 Tel: 3919 3105 	19.3.14	21.3.14				First meeting to be held on 8.4.14 to elect the Chairman and meet with the Administration.

List B: Bills pending resumption of Second Reading debate							
		Date of House Committee	Date of resumption				
	Date of introduction of Bill	meeting(s) at which the	of Second Reading				
Name of Bill	into Legislative Council	Bill was considered	debate (if known)	Remarks			
1. 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.			
2. 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.			
3. 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							
	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 Subcommittee Name of Subcommittee number of Date to report to Clerk Chairman/Deputy Chairman meetings held **House Committee** Remarks 1. Subcommittee on Toys and Children's The Chairman of the Subcommittee 21.2.14 3 Products Safety (Additional Safety 28.2.14 will make a verbal report to the House Standards or Requirements) Regulation, 14.3.14 Hon Jeffrey LAM Kin-fung, Committee on 28.3.14. Toys and Children's Products Safety GBS, JP 24.3.14 Regulation (Repeal) Regulation and Toys and Children's Products Safety (Amendment) Ordinance 2013 (Commencement) Notice - Ms Joanne MAK CCS(2)3 Tel: 3919 3203 2. Subcommittee on Resolution of the 28.2.14 The Chairman of the Subcommittee 19.3.14 will make a verbal report to the House Board of Directors of the Po Leung Kuk Committee on 28.3.14. - Ms Alice LEUNG Hon MA Fung-kwok, SBS, JP CCS(2)2 Tel: 3919 3202 The Chairman of the Subcommittee 3. Subcommittee on Rating (Exemption) 28.2.14 13.3.14 Order 2014 will make a verbal report to the House - Ms Angel SHEK Hon Andrew LEUNG Kwan-yuen, Committee on 28.3.14. SCS(1)4 GBS, JP Tel: 3919 3113

List E : Subcommittee on policy issues under House Committee in action							
	Date of formation of	Number of meetings					
Name of Subcommittee	Subcommittee	held	Terms of reference of the				
Clerk	Chairman/Deputy Chairman	(Date of first meeting)	subcommittee	Remarks			
1. Subcommittee on Poverty	12.10.12	17	To study relevant policies and	The Subcommittee reactivated its			
- Mr Colin CHUI		(5.11.12)	measures to ease the disparity	work on 12.3.14. The			
CCS(2)4	Hon Frederick FUNG		between the rich and the poor and	Subcommittee should complete its			
Tel: 3919 3204	Kin-kee, SBS, JP		alleviate poverty, follow up the	work within the remainder of the			
	(Chairman)		work of the Government's	extension period originally sought,			
			Commission on Poverty and	i.e. about 9.5 months.			
	Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG		make timely recommendations.				
	Chiu-hung		•				
	(Deputy Chairman)						

List F : 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 G : Subcommittees under Panels in action							
		Number of					
	Date of formation of	meetings held					
Name of Subcommittee	Subcommittee	(Date of first	Terms of reference of the				
Clerk	Chairman/Deputy Chairman	meeting)	subcommittee	Remarks			
1. Joint Subcommittee on Long-	19.11.12	14	To study the long-term care				
term Care Policy under the		(14.12.12)	policy and services, including	on 15.11.13, permission has been given for			
Panel on Welfare Services and	Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG		home-based, community-	the Joint Subcommittee to continue to			
Panel on Health Services	Chiu-hung		based and residential care	operate for three more months in the first			
- Mr Colin CHUI	(Chairman)		services for the elderly,	instance after the expiry of its period of			
CCS(2)4			people with disabilities and	work (i.e. until 13.3.14), after which the			
Tel: 3919 3204	Hon TANG Ka-piu		the chronically ill, discuss the	Subcommittee will be put on the waiting list			
	(Deputy Chairman)		policy concerned with the	for reactivation.			
			Administration and make				
			timely recommendations.	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.			
				Theatin Services at its incetting on 20.1.14.			

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	Date of formation of	meetings held		
Name of Subcommittee	Subcommittee	(Date of first	Terms of reference of the	
Clerk	Chairman/Deputy Chairman	meeting)	subcommittee	Remarks
2. Subcommittee on Integrated	11.12.12	13	To study and review the	As decided at the House Committee meeting
Education under the Panel on		(8.1.13)	existing policy on integrated	on 15.11.13, permission has been given for
Education	Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG		education, including the	the Subcommittee to continue to operate for
- Miss Polly YEUNG	Chiu-hung		support measures for students	three more months in the first instance after
CCS(4)4	(Chairman)		with special educational	the expiry of its period of work (i.e. until
Tel: 3919 3402			needs and the strengthening	7.4.14), after which the Subcommittee will
	Hon IP Kin-yuen		of teaching, administrative	be put on the waiting list for reactivation.
	(Deputy Chairman)		and financial support for	As additional resources will be available to
			special schools and schools	the Secretariat with effect from the next
			implementing integrated	financial year, should no new subcommittee
			education, and make timely	on policy issues be set up in the interim, the
			recommendations.	Subcommittee may reactivate immediately
				after the expiry of the three-month period and work until end of September 2014.
				and work until end of September 2014.
3. Joint Subcommittee to	11.1.13	9	To monitor issues relating to	As decided at the House Committee meeting
Monitor the Implementation of	11.1.13	(29.1.13)	the implementation of the	on 15.11.13, permission has been given for
the West Kowloon Cultural	Hon Christopher CHUNG	(2).1.13)	West Kowloon Cultural	the Joint Subcommittee to continue to
District Project under the	Shu-kun, BBS, MH, JP		District project, including the	operate for three more months in the first
Panel on Home Affairs and	(Chairman)		work of West Kowloon	instance after the expiry of its period of
Panel on Development	(======================================		Cultural District Authority,	work (i.e. until 28.4.14), after which the
- Ms Amy YU	Hon Alan LEONG		the project's interface with	Subcommittee will be put on the waiting list
CCS(2)6	Kah-kit, SC		arts and cultural	for reactivation. As additional resources
Tel: 3919 3206	(Deputy Chairman)		development, and other	will be available to the Secretariat with
	, 1 3		related matters.	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.

Name of Subcommittee Clerk 4. Subcommittee on Retirement Protection under the Panel on Welfare Services - Miss Betty MA CCS(2)1 Tel: 3919 3201	Date of formation of Subcommittee Chairman/Deputy Chairman 14.1.13 Hon CHAN Yuen-han, SBS, JP (Chairman) Hon CHEUNG Kwok-che (Deputy Chairman)	Number of meetings held (Date of first meeting) 2 (25.2.14)	Terms of reference of the subcommittee 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.	Remarks —
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 Hon Vincent FANG Kang, SBS, JP (Chairman) Hon Alan LEONG Kah-kit, SC (Deputy Chairman)	1 (25.3.14)	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.	

Name of Subcommittee Clerk 6. Subcommittee on Hawker Policy under the Panel on Food Safety and Environmental Hygiene - Ms Debbie YAU CCS(A) Tel: 3919 3012	Date of formation of Subcommittee Chairman/Deputy Chairman 9.7.13	Number of meetings held (Date of first meeting)	Terms of reference of the subcommittee 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.	Remarks 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	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.	18.3.14. The Subcommittee should complete its work within the remainder of the extension period originally sought, i.e.

	List H : Sub	committees on policy issues on the wait	ing 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 Joint Subcommittee on Long-term Care Policy by end of July 2014.

	Date of appointment		
Name of Subcommittee	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.	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. Upon reactivation, the Subcommittee should complete its work within the remainder of the extension period originally sought, i.e. about 6.5 months.
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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.	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. Upon reactivation, the Subcommittee should complete its work within the remainder of the extension period originally sought, i.e. about 6.5 months.