

**Bills Committee on Veterinary Surgeons Registration
(Amendment) Bill 2014**

**List of follow-up actions arising from the discussion
at the meeting of 2 December 2014**

The Administration is requested to provide the following information in relation to the Veterinary Surgeons Registration (Amendment) Bill 2014 ("the Bill") –

- (a) the terms of office of the Chairperson and members, including elected and/or appointed members, of statutory bodies in Hong Kong;
- (b) the grounds for proposing the Chairperson and an appointed member of the Veterinary Surgeons Board ("VSB") to hold office for a term not exceeding three years and an elected member of VSB to hold office for a term of three years under the Bill; and the actual terms of office of VSB's Chairperson and members appointed since its establishment in 1997;
- (c) the respective timeframes within which a by-election must be held to fill a vacancy in the membership of the Legislative Council and District Councils; and the timeframe within which a by-election must be held to elect a member to VSB;
- (d) the estimated cost of holding an election of members to VSB; and
- (e) in connection with Clause 11 of the Bill under which the proposed new section 17A of the Veterinary Surgeons Registration Ordinance (Cap. 529) provides that VSB is to establish a panel of assessors consisting of not more than 12 registered veterinary surgeons ("RVSS") and not more than six other persons, whether there is a minimum number of RVSSs and other persons to be appointed to the panel.

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