Revised

Marriage (Amendment) Bill 2014 Debate and voting arrangements

First debate: Clause with no amendment - clause 2

Voting: Clause 2 stand part of the Bill

Second debate: Clauses with amendments proposed by the Administration, Hon CHAN Chi-chuen and Hon Dennis KWOK - Clauses 1 and 3

Joint debate on the original clauses and the amendments thereto; contents involve:

Clause 1

Commencement of the Bill

Clause 3

- For construing the references to "man" and "woman" in section 40(2) of the Marriage Ordinance and the references to "male" and "female" in section 20(1)(d) of the Matrimonial Causes Ordinance, a person who has received a full sex re-assignment surgery ("SRS") is treated as being of the sex to which the person is re-assigned after completion of the surgery;
- To provide for the definition of a full SRS; and
- To provide for a presumption about the sex of one of the parties to the marriage stated on the identification document at the time of marriage
- Secretary for Security

To amend clause 1(2) to provide that the Bill is deemed to have come into operation on 17 July 2014 (i.e. to align with the commencement as stated in the Court of Final Appeal's Order)

• Hon CHAN-Chi Chuen 1st amendment

To amend clause 1(2) to provide that the Bill comes in operation on 17 July 2024

2nd amendment To amend clause 1(2) to provide that the Bill comes in operation on 17 July 2019

Hon Dennis KWOK To amend clause 3 to add section 40C to provide that sections 40A and 40B of the Bill shall expire at midnight on 31 July 2017; and to amend the heading of clause 3 to add section 40C

Amendment mover	Order of voting on amendment	Remarks	Amendment
Secretary for Security	To vote on the Secretary for Security's amendment	If the Secretary's amendment is passed, Hon CHAN Chi-chuen may not move his two amendments, but Hon Dennis KWOK may move his amendments to clause 3.	Annex 1

Amendment mover	Order of voting on amendment	Remarks	Amendment
Hon CHAN Chi-chuen	To vote on Hon CHAN Chi-chuen's 1st amendment if the Secretary's amendment is negatived	If Hon CHAN Chi-chuen's 1st amendment is passed, he may not move his 2nd amendment. If Hon CHAN Chi-chuen's 1st or 2nd amendment is passed, Hon Dennis KWOK may not move his amendments to clause 3.	
Hon Dennis KWOK	To vote on Hon Dennis KWOK's amendments if Hon CHAN Chi-chuen's 1st or 2nd amendment is negatived	-	Annex 2

Third debate: Clause with amendment proposed by Hon CHAN Chi-chuen - Clause 4

Joint debate on the original clause and the amendments thereto; the content involves technical amendments to change the terms "widow" (寡婦) and "widower" (鰥夫) to "widowed person"(喪偶) in the various forms specified in Schedule 1 to the Marriage Ordinance

Hon : 3rd amendmCHAN-Chi chuen	- To amend clause 4(2) and (4) to change the Chinese term "喪偶" as proposed in the Bill to "喪偶者"
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Voting: Hon CHAN Chi-chuen's 3rd amendment - Annex 3

Secretary for Security's amendment

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Hon CHAN Chi-chuen's and Hon Dennis KWOK's amendments

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