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Report No. 25/14-15 of the House Committee on Consideration of Subsidiary Legislation and Other Instruments

Purpose

This report gives the outcome of the consideration of the House Committee on subsidiary legislation the period for amendment of which will expire at the Council meeting of 8 July 2015.

Subsidiary legislation considered

2. The House Committee has considered the following items of subsidiary legislation -

<u>Item</u> <u>Number</u>	<u>Title of</u> Subsidiary Legislation	Date of House Committee meeting(s)
(1)	Road Traffic Ordinance (Amendment of Schedule 10) Order 2015 (L.N. 90/2015)	22 May 2015 26 June 2015
(2)	Securities and Futures (Amendment) Ordinance 2014 (Commencement) Notice 2015 (L.N. 95/2015)	22 May 2015 5 June 2015 26 June 2015
(3)	Securities and Futures (OTC Derivative Transactions—Reporting and Record Keeping Obligations) Rules (L.N. 96/2015)	22 May 2015 5 June 2015 26 June 2015
(4)	Securities and Futures (Stock Markets, Futures Markets and Clearing Houses) Notice (L.N. 97/2015)	22 May 2015 5 June 2015 26 June 2015

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(5)	Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Pollution by Sewage) (Amendment) Regulation 2015 (L.N. 108/2015)	12 June 2015
(6)	Competition Tribunal Rules (L.N. 109/2015)	12 June 2015
(7)	Competition Tribunal Fees Rules (L.N. 110/2015)	12 June 2015
(8)	Competition Tribunal Suitors' Funds Rules (L.N. 111/2015)	12 June 2015
(9)	Rules of the High Court (Amendment) Rules 2015 (L.N. 112/2015)	12 June 2015
(10)	Declaration of Increase in Pensions Notice 2015 (L.N. 113/2015)	12 June 2015
(11)	Widows and Orphans Pension (Increase) Notice 2015 (L.N. 114/2015)	12 June 2015
(12)	Allowances to Jurors (Amendment) Order 2015 (Commencement) Notice (L.N. 115/2015)	12 June 2015
(13)	Criminal Procedure (Witnesses' Allowances) (Amendment) Rules 2015 (Commencement) Notice (L.N. 116/2015)	12 June 2015
(14)	Coroners(Witnesses'Allowances)(Amendment)Rules2015(Commencement)Notice (L.N. 117/2015)	12 June 2015
(15)	Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Ordinance (Commencement) Notice (L.N. 118/2015)	12 June 2015

3. The House Committee formed two subcommittees to study item (1), as well as items (2) to (4) respectively in detail at its meetings on 22 May and 5 June 2015. The two Subcommittees reported their deliberations at the House Committee meeting on 26 June 2015 vide LC Paper Nos. CB(1)1026/14-15 and CB(1)1032/14-15 respectively.

4. In respect of items (5) to (15), the House Committee considered it not necessary to form any subcommittee to study these 11 items of subsidiary legislation.

Note: In respect of items (6) to (9) relating to the Competition Tribunal, the House Committee agreed at its meeting on 27 February 2015 to form a subcommittee to study the four relevant sets of draft rules, so as to allow sufficient time for Members to scrutinize them before they were gazetted and tabled in Council under the negative vetting procedure. The Subcommittee reported its deliberations to the House Committee at its meeting on 22 May 2015 vide LC Paper No. CB(4)1016/14-15. Members noted that as the Judiciary and the Department of Justice had incorporated all the suggestions put forward by the Subcommittee, a great majority of the members of the Subcommittee considered that there would be no need for the House Committee to form a subcommittee to scrutinize the four sets of subsidiary legislation on the procedures to be adopted by the Competition Tribunal (i.e. items (6) to (9)) again after they were tabled in Council for negative vetting.

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