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Position Report on Bills Committees and subcommittees (as at 6 October 2015)

Summary	1.	Number of Bills Committees in action	:	10	(see <u>List A</u> for details)
	2.	Number of Bills Committee reporting to House Committee on 9.10.15	:	1	(see <u>List B</u> for details)
	3.	Number of vacant slots of Bills Committees	:	5	
	4.	Number of bill pending resumption of Second Reading debate	:	1	(see <u>List C</u> for details)
	5.	Number of bills pending decision of House Committee	:	4	(see <u>List D</u> for details)
	6.	Subcommittee on Members' Remuneration and Operating Expenses Reimbursement	:		(see <u>List E</u> for details)
	7.	Number of subcommittees on subsidiary legislation/draft subsidiary legislation/other instruments reporting to the House Committee on 9.10.15	:	2	(see <u>List F</u> for details)
	8.	Number of subcommittees on policy issues under House Committee in action	:	3	(see <u>List G</u> for details)
	9.	Number of other subcommittee under House Committee in action	:	1	(see <u>List H</u> for details)
	10.	Number of subcommittees under Panels in action	:	7	(see <u>List I</u> for details)
	11.	Number of subcommittees on policy issues on the waiting list	:	3	(see <u>List J</u> for details)

List A: Bills Committees in action								
	Date of							
	introduction		Date and	Date of	Expected date			
	of Bill into	Date of formation of Bills	number of	reporting to	for resumption			
Name of Bills Committee	Legislative	Committee	meetings	House	of Second			
Clerk	Council	Chairman/Deputy Chairman	held	Committee	Reading debate	Remarks		
1. Bills Committee on Property	7.5.14	9.5.14	14			Next meeting to be held on		
Management Services Bill			11.6.14			28.10.15 to meet with the		
- Ms Alice LEUNG		Hon Tony TSE Wai-chuen,	23.7.14			Administration.		
CCS(2)6		BBS	(2 sessions)					
Tel: 3919 3206		(Chairman)	15.10.14					
			4.11.14					
		Hon WU Chi-wai, MH	25.11.14					
		(Deputy Chairman)	12.1.15					
			9.2.15					
			27.2.15					
			24.3.15					
			21.4.15					
			4.5.15					
			8.6.15					
			29.6.15					
			6.7.15					

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Clerk	Council	Chairman/Deputy Chairman	_	Committee	Reading debate	Remarks
2. Bills Committee on Copyright		20.6.14	22	Сонинисс	Redding debate	Next meeting to be held on
(Amendment) Bill 2014	10.0.14	20.0.14	17.7.14			19.10.15 to meet with the
- Ms YUE Tin-po		Hon CHAN Kam-lam,	14.10.14			Administration.
CCS(4)3		SBS, JP	25.10.14			Administration.
Tel: 3919 3403		505, 31	(4 sessions)			
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			18.11.14			
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Clerk	Council	Chairman/Deputy Chairman	held	Committee	Reading debate	Remarks
3. Bills Committee on Private	25.6.14	27.6.14	16			Next meeting to be held on
Columbaria Bill			29.7.14			13.10.15 to meet with the
- Mr Colin CHUI		Hon IP Kwok-him, GBS, JP	25.10.14			Administration.
CCS(2)4		(Chairman)	(2 sessions)			
Tel: 3919 3204			25.11.14			
		Dr Hon Kenneth CHAN	15.12.14			
		Ka-lok	23.1.15			
		(Deputy Chairman)	16.2.15			
			23.3.15			
			17.4.15			
			27.4.15			
			12.5.15			
			26.5.15			
			22.6.15			
			29.6.15			
			6.7.15			
			20.7.15			
			29.9.15			
4. Bills Committee on Clearing	4.2.15	6.2.15	7	16.10.15	4.11.15	Reporting to the House Committee
and Settlement Systems			2.3.15			on 16.10.15.
(Amendment) Bill 2015		Hon Andrew LEUNG	23.3.15			
- Ms Connie SZETO		Kwan-yuen, GBS, JP	(2 sessions)			
CCS(1)4			13.4.15			
Tel: 3919 3104			28.4.15			
			12.5.15			
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	of Bill into	Date of formation of Bills	number of	reporting to	for resumption	
Name of Bills Committee	Legislative	Committee	meetings	House	of Second	
Clerk	Council	Chairman/Deputy Chairman	held	Committee	Reading debate	Remarks
5. Bills Committee on	11.2.15	27.2.15	9			Next meeting to be held on
Interception of Communications			27.3.15			12.10.15 to meet with the
and Surveillance (Amendment)		Hon IP Kwok-him, GBS, JP	9.4.15			Administration.
Bill 2015		(Chairman)	2.5.15			
- Miss Betty MA			(2 sessions)			
CCS(2)1		Hon YIU Si-wing, BBS	11.5.15			
Tel: 3919 3201		(Deputy Chairman)	1.6.15			
			22.6.15			
			29.6.15			
			14.7.15			
			6.10.15			
6. Bills Committee on Human	18.3.15	20.3.15	6			Next meeting to be scheduled.
Reproductive Technology			9.4.15			-
(Amendment) Bill 2015		Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki	27.4.15			
- Ms Maisie LAM			12.5.15			
CCS(2)5			2.6.15			
Tel: 3919 3205			6.7.15			
			5.10.15			
7. Bills Committee on Promotion	18.3.15	20.3.15	6			Next meeting to be scheduled.
of Recycling and Proper			9.4.15			-
Disposal (Electrical Equipment		Ir Dr Hon LO Wai-kwok,	4.5.15			
and Electronic Equipment)		SBS, MH, JP	2.6.15			
(Amendment) Bill 2015			22.6.15			
- Ms Angel SHEK			20.7.15			
CCS(1)1			18.9.15			
Tel: 3919 3101						

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	introduction		Date and	Date of	Expected date	
	of Bill into	Date of formation of Bills	number of	reporting to	for resumption	
Name of Bills Committee	Legislative	Committee	meetings	House	of Second	
Clerk	Council	Chairman/Deputy Chairman	held	Committee	Reading debate	Remarks
8. Bills Committee on	13.5.15	15.5.15	2			The Bills Committee has held two
Bankruptcy (Amendment)			2.6.15			meetings since commencement of
Bill 2015		Hon CHAN Kam-lam,	7.7.15			its work on 2.6.15. The
- Ms Annette LAM		SBS, JP				Chairman of the Bills Committee
CCS(1)3						has advised that the Bills
Tel: 3919 3103						Committee needs to work beyond
						three months since its
						commencement.
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						The Bills Committee has
						completed its scrutiny work and will report to the House
						Committee in due course.
						Committee in due course.
9. Bills Committee on	24.6.15	26.6.15	3			The Bills Committee has held
Securities and Futures			7.7.15			three meetings since
(Amendment) Bill 2015		Hon CHAN Kam-lam,	15.9.15			commencement of its work on
- Ms Angel SHEK		SBS, JP	5.10.15			7.7.15. The Chairman of the Bills
CCS(1)1						Committee has advised that the
Tel: 3919 3101						Bills Committee needs to work
						beyond three months since its
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Name of Bills Committee	Legislative	Committee	meetings	House	of Second	
Clerk	Council	Chairman/Deputy Chairman	held	Committee	Reading debate	Remarks
10. Bills Committee on Inland	24.6.15	26.6.15	2	23.10.15		The Bills Committee has held two
Revenue (Amendment)			7.7.15			meetings since commencement of
(No. 3) Bill 2015		Hon Kenneth LEUNG	11.9.15			its work on 7.7.15. The
- Ms Sharon CHUNG						Chairman of the Bills Committee
CCS(1)2						has advised that the Bills
Tel: 3919 3106						Committee needs to work beyond
						three months since its
						commencement.
						The Bills Committee has completed its scrutiny work and will report to the House Committee on 23.10.15.

List B: Bills Committee reporting to House Committee on 9.10.15								
	Date of							
	introduction		Date and	Date to	Expected date			
	of Bill into	Date of formation of Bills	number of	report to	for resumption			
Name of Bills Committee	Legislative	Committee	meetings	House	of Second			
Clerk	Council	Chairman/Deputy Chairman	held	Committee	Reading debate	Remarks		
1. Bills Committee on Peak	6.5.15	8.5.15	4	9.10.15	28.10.15	Reporting to the House Committee		
Tramway (Amendment) Bill			18.5.15			on 9.10.15.		
2015		Hon Jeffrey LAM Kin-fung,	2.6.15					
- Ms Debbie YAU		GBS, JP	29.6.15					
CCS(4)5		,	(2 sessions)					
Tel: 3919 3404			16.7.15					

List C: Bill pending resumption of Second Reading debate									
			Council meeting at						
	Date of introduction	Date of House Committee	which Second Reading						
	of Bill into	meeting(s) at which the	debate will be resumed						
Name of Bill	Legislative Council	Bill was considered	(if known)	Remarks					
1. Kowloon Tong Church of the	4.6.14	6.6.14		Dr Hon Priscilla LEUNG has withdrawn					
Chinese Christian and Missionary				her notice for resumption of the Second					
Alliance Incorporation (Amendment)				Reading debate on the Bill at the Council					
Bill 2014				meeting of 24.6.15.					

	List D: Bills pending decision of House Committee									
Name of Bill	Object(s) of the Bill	Date of introduction of Bill into Legislative Council	Date of House Committee meeting at which the Bill will be considered	Remarks						
1. Chinese Permanent Cemeteries (Amendment) Bill 2015	To amend the Chinese Permanent Cemeteries Ordinance and the Chinese Permanent Cemeteries Rules to broaden the scope of eligible deceased persons to be interred, buried or deposited in a cemetery specified in the First Schedule to the Rules; to allow the burials of human ashes in an exhumable lot; to provide for the power to cremate unclaimed human remains; to amend the purposes and powers of the Board of Management of the Chinese Permanent Cemeteries; to provide for related matters; and to make technical amendments.	8.7.15	9.10.15							
2. Supplementary Appropriation (2014-2015) Bill	To approve a supplementary appropriation to the services of the Government in the financial year that ended on 31 March 2015.	8.7.15	9.10.15							
3. Kai Tak Cruise Terminal Bill	To provide for the designation of the Kai Tak Cruise Terminal, for its use, operation, management and control, and for related matters.	8.7.15	9.10.15							
4. Promotion of Recycling and Proper Disposal (Product Container) (Amendment) Bill 2015	To amend the Product Eco-responsibility Ordinance to provide for the collection of a recycling levy on the containers of certain products; to amend the Waste Disposal Ordinance to regulate the disposal of such containers; and to provide for related matters.	8.7.15	9.10.15							

List E : Subcommitt	ee on Members' Remun	eration and	Operating 1	Expenses Reimbursement
			Date of	
	Date of formation of	Date and	reporting to	
Name of Subcommittee	Subcommittee	number of	House	
Clerk	Chairman/Deputy Chairman	meetings held	Committee	Remarks
Subcommittee on Members' Remuneration	26.10.12	3	15.5.15	A meeting was held between the Subcommittee
and Operating Expenses Reimbursement		4.12.12		and the Independent Commission on
- Ms Amy YU	Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing, JP	7.6.13		Remuneration for Members of the Executive
PCS1		12.5.15		Council and the Legislature, and Officials under
Tel: 3919 3660				the Political Appointment System of the
				HKSAR on 24.7.15 to discuss the
				Subcommittee's Report on the Review of
				Members' Remuneration and Operating
				Expenses Reimbursement.

List F : Subcommittees on subsidiary legislation/draft subsidiary legislation/other instruments reporting to the House Committee on 9.10.15

Name of Subcommittee Clerk 1. Subcommittee on Foreign Lawyers Practice (Amendment) Rules 2015, Solicitors' Practice (Amendment) Rules 2015 and Limited Liability Partnerships (Top-up Insurance) Rules - Miss Mary SO CCS(4)2 Tel: 3919 3419	Date of formation of Subcommittee Chairman/Deputy Chairman 5.6.15 Hon Dennis KWOK	Date and number of meetings held 2 12.6.15 7.7.15	Date of reporting to House Committee 9.10.15	Remarks Reporting to the House Committee on 9.10.15.
Subcommittee on Three Regulations Relating to Control Regime for the Import of Eggs - Mr Colin CHUI	12.6.15 Hon Steven HO Chun-yin, BBS	2 30.6.15 16.7.15	9.10.15	Reporting to the House Committee on 9.10.15.

List G: Subcommittees on policy issues under House Committee in action				
Name of Subcommittee Clerk 1. Subcommittee on Poverty - Mr Colin CHUI CCS(2)4 Tel: 3919 3204	Date of formation of Subcommittee Chairman/Deputy Chairman 12.10.12 Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung (Chairman) Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee, SBS, JP (Deputy Chairman)	Number of meetings held (Date of first meeting) 32 (5.11.12)	Terms of reference of the	Remarks At the House Committee meeting on 9.1.15, Members agreed that permission be given for the Subcommittee to further extend the period of its work until 31.1.16.
2. Subcommittee to Follow up Issues Relating to the Three-runway System at the Hong Kong International Airport - Miss Mary SO CCS(4)2 Tel: 3919 3419	15.5.15		To study and follow up issues relating to three-runway system at Hong Kong International Airport, including the feasibility of the three-runway system, its scope and design details, financial arrangement, existing capacity of Hong Kong International Airport, environmental impacts, and related matters.	First meeting to be held on 16.10.15 to elect the Chairman.
3. Subcommittee to Study Issues Relating to Mainland-HKSAR Families - Mr Colin CHUI CCS(2)4 Tel: 3919 3204	23.1.15		To study issues relating to Mainland-HKSAR families and make recommendations where necessary.	The Subcommittee can commence work as a vacant slot has become available to accommodate its activation. First meeting to be scheduled.

List H : 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)	Remarks		
1. Subcommittee to Examine the	12.10.12	9	_		
Implementation in Hong Kong of Resolutions		(31.10.12)			
of the United Nations Security Council in	Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan, JP				
relation to Sanctions					
- Ms Annette LAM					
CCS(1)3					
Tel: 3919 3103					

List I : Subcommittees under Panels in action				
Name of Subcommittee Clerk 1. Subcommittee on Matters Relating to Railways under the Panel on Transport - Ms Sophie LAU CCS(4)6 Tel: 3919 3102	Date of formation of Subcommittee Chairman/Deputy Chairman 16.11.12 Hon CHAN Han-pan, JP (Chairman) Hon WONG Kwok-hing, BBS, MH (Deputy Chairman)	Number of meetings held (Date of first meeting) 21 (30.11.12)	Terms of reference of the subcommittee To follow up various issues relating to the planning and implementation of new railway projects, and the operation of existing railways.	Remarks At the House Committee meeting on 31.10.14, Members agreed that permission be given for the Subcommittee to further extend the period of its work until 30.9.15. The proposal of the Subcommittee to further extend its work in the 2015-2016 session will be submitted to the House Committee for approval at the meeting on 9.10.15.
2. Subcommittee on Health Protection Scheme under the Panel on Health Services - Ms Maisie LAM CCS(2)5 Tel: 3919 3205	19.11.12 Dr Hon LEUNG Ka-lau	13 (12.12.12)	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.	At the House Committee meeting on 31.10.14, Members agreed that permission be given for the Subcommittee to further extend the period of its work until 30.9.15. The proposal of the Subcommittee to further extend its work for six months (i.e. until 31.3.16) will be submitted to the House Committee for approval at the meeting on 9.10.15.

Name of Subcommittee Clerk 3. Joint Subcommittee to Monitor the Implementation of the West Kowloon Cultural District Project under the Panel on Home Affairs and Panel on Development - Ms Alice LEUNG CCS(2)6 Tel: 3919 3206	Date of formation of Subcommittee Chairman/Deputy Chairman 11.1.13 Hon Christopher CHUNG Shu-kun, BBS, MH, JP (Chairman) Hon Alan LEONG Kah-kit, SC (Deputy Chairman)	Number of meetings held (Date of first meeting) 21 (29.1.13)	Terms of reference of the subcommittee 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.	Remarks At the House Committee meeting on 31.10.14, Members agreed that permission be given for the Joint Subcommittee to further extend the period of its work until 30.9.15. The proposal of the Joint Subcommittee to further extend its work in the 2015-2016 session will be submitted to the House Committee for approval at the meeting on 9.10.15.
 4. Subcommittee on Retirement Protection under the Panel on Welfare Services - Miss Betty MA CCS(2)1 Tel: 3919 3201 	Hon CHAN Yuen-han, SBS, JP (Chairman) Hon CHEUNG Kwok-che (Deputy Chairman)	13 (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.	At the House Committee meeting on 9.1.15, Members agreed that permission be given for the Subcommittee to extend the period of its work until 30.9.15. The proposal of the Subcommittee to further extend its work in the 2015-2016 session will be submitted to the House Committee for approval at the meeting on 9.10.15.
5. Subcommittee to Study the Implementation of Free Kindergarten Education under the Panel on Education - Miss Polly YEUNG CCS(4)4 Tel: 3919 3402	14.4.14 Hon Starry LEE Wai-king, JP (Chairman) Hon IP Kin-yuen (Deputy Chairman)	10 (27.10.14)	To study and review the progress, arrangements, policy and matters related to the implementation of free kindergarten education, and make recommendations where necessary.	The proposal of the Subcommittee to extend its work for about six months (i.e. until 30.4.16) will be submitted to the House Committee for approval at the meeting on 9.10.15.

Name of Subcommittee Clerk 6. Subcommittee on Issues Relating to the Development of Chinese Medicine under the Panel on Health Services - Ms Joanne MAK CCS(2)3 Tel: 3919 3203	Date of formation of Subcommittee Chairman/Deputy Chairman 16.6.14 Hon CHAN Han-pan, JP	Number of meetings held (Date of first meeting) 8 (5.11.14)	Terms of reference of the subcommittee To study and review the Government's strategy, policies and initiatives to promote the long-term development of Chinese medicine and make timely recommendations.	Remarks The proposal of the Subcommittee to extend its work for six months (i.e. until 4.5.16) will be submitted to the House Committee for approval at the meeting on 9.10.15.
7. Subcommittee on Strategy and Measures to Tackle Domestic Violence and Sexual Violence under the Panel on Welfare Services - Miss Betty MA CCS(2)1 Tel: 3919 3201	Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung (Chairman) Hon CHAN Yuen-han, SBS, JP (Deputy Chairman)	9 (3.12.14)	To study issues relating to the strategy and measures to tackle domestic violence and sexual violence, including: (a) the effectiveness and progress of the services already in place which were discussed by the Subcommittee on Strategy and Measures to Tackle Family Violence under the Panel on Welfare Services of the Third Legislative Council; (b) statistics, definition, identification and assessment of domestic violence and sexual violence; (c) relocation of accommodation, emotional support and various follow-up services for those involved in cases of domestic violence and sexual violence; (d) legal proceedings relating to cases of domestic violence and sexual violence, as well as anti-violence programmes and counselling services for batterers; (to be continued on next page)	The proposal of the Subcommittee to extend its work for two months (i.e. until 2.2.16) will be submitted to the House Committee for approval at the meeting on 9.10.15.

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
(continued from previous page)			 (e) education and preventive measures against domestic violence and sexual violence (including hidden cases of domestic violence and sexual violence), and review on child fatality and serious cases; (f) manpower, resources and workload of the relevant organizations and government departments, as well as co-ordination among various services for handling domestic violence and sexual violence (including measures taken by the Police and the Social Welfare Department and their co-operation in handling the relevant cases, procedural guidelines and classification system of the Police for handling the relevant cases, as well as measures taken by the relevant organizations and government departments to help those involved in cases of domestic violence and sexual violence lead a new life); (g) special needs of specific groups, including elderly persons, children, new-arrivals, ethnic minorities, homosexuals, transgendered persons, persons with disabilities and sex workers, etc. when encountering domestic violence and sexual violence; (h) the relationship between the provision of mental health services and the occurrence of domestic violence incidents in the community, as well as the support for the families and persons concerned; and (i) policies and follow-ups for handling domestic violence and sexual violence. 	

List J : Subcommittees on policy issues on the waiting list						
Name of Subcommittee 1. Subcommittee to Study Issues Relating to Standard Working Hours under the Panel on Manpower	Date of appointment of Subcommittee 10.2.15	Terms of reference of the subcommittee To study and follow up the policy on standard working hours and related issues, and to make recommendations where necessary.	Remarks At the meeting of the Panel on Manpower on 10.2.15, members agreed to the proposal to appoint the Subcommittee.			
2. Joint Subcommittee to Study the Arrangement of Offsetting Severance Payments and Long Service Payments against Mandatory Provident Fund Accrued Benefits under the Panel on Financial Affairs and the Panel on Manpower	2.3.15	To study and review the arrangement of offsetting severance payments and long service payments against Mandatory Provident Fund accrued benefits and other related policy issues, and to make recommendations where necessary.	The Panel on Manpower and the Panel on Financial Affairs agreed, at their respective meetings on 10.2.15 and 2.3.15, to the proposal to appoint the Joint Subcommittee.			
3. Subcommittee on Issues Relating to the Future Development of Elderly Services Schemes under the Panel on Welfare Services	8.6.15	To study relevant policies and measures relating to the future development of elderly services, follow up the work of the Elderly Commission's Elderly Services Programme Plan, discuss relevant policies with the Administration and make timely recommendations.	Services on 8.6.15, members agreed to			