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Written submission of The Association of Registered Fire Service Installation Contractors of Hong Kong (FSICA) after the LegCo Meeting held on 29th February 2016.

Points to be submitted:

1. The purpose of the Bill is described in 2nd page of LegCo Document File Reference: SBCR 1/2361/14 LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL BRIEF "EU recommended FSD to reduce its involvement in day-to-day inspection and certification.
2. It is clear that reducing FSD current involvement in day-to-day inspection and certification is the clear objective of the proposed legislation.
3. In the other words, FSD will provide services to general public through outsourcing.
4. The core competencies required to proceed the scope of works, which is currently undertaken by FSD, will be outsourced after the legislation is defined in the 2nd page of the same Document, under paragraph 4, namely:
 - a. Conduct Fire Risk Assessment;
 - b. Conduct compliance check on Fire Service Installation; and
 - c. Conduct compliance inspection on Ventilating Systems
5. It is obvious that the above three competencies are currently self-sufficient within FSD.

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6. FSD has been providing world-class service for fire safety, it is the opinion of FSICA that the proposed legislation shall ensure that the current standards on fire safety in terms of inspection and certification will be maintained.
7. Therefore, the qualified persons to be registered need to fulfill the requirements to master the core competencies as mentioned above.

We would be grateful if you could kindly consider our suggestion.

Yours truly,

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