

Bills Committee on Medical Registration (Amendment) Bill 2017

**List of follow-up actions required of the Administration
arising from the discussion at the meeting on 29 January 2018**

The Administration was requested to:

- (a) in respect of its proposal to add in the composition of the Medical Council of Hong Kong ("the Medical Council") two seats of registered medical practitioners who were Fellows of the Hong Kong Academy of Medicine ("the Academy of Medicine") being nominated and elected by Fellows of the Academy of Medicine, relay to the Academy of Medicine members' request for it to advise the Bills Committee the nomination and election arrangements mapped out by it in this regard and its views as to whether the arrangements should be provided for in the legislation. Under the relevant draft amendments to the Bill proposed by the Administration (i.e. the proposed new section 3(2)(ha) to the Medical Registration Ordinance (Cap. 161) ("the Ordinance")), these two seats were to be nominated and elected by Fellows in accordance with the regulations or procedures of the Academy of Medicine; and
- (b) in respect of the meetings of the Medical Council held for the purpose of an inquiry in accordance with existing section 21 of the Ordinance,
 - (i) provide information, if available, on the reasons for the low attendance rates of individual members of the Medical Council (except those who could not take part in disciplinary inquiries due to their other capacities as set out in the note listed under item (a) in Annex B to LC Paper No. CB(2)748/17-18(02)) and individual assessors in inquiries in the past two years;
 - (ii) provide statistics on the number of inquiry meetings that had to be re-scheduled due to unavailability or non-attendance of members of the Medical Council or assessors; and
 - (iii) advise whether the unavailability or non-attendance of members of the Medical Council or assessors in inquiries had affected the Medical Council's efficiency in conducting disciplinary inquiries.