

**Bills Committee on Judicial Officers (Extension of Retirement Age)
(Amendment) Bill 2019**

**Follow-up actions arising from the discussion at the meeting
on 15 May 2019**

At the meeting on 15 May 2019, members noted section 13 of the Hong Kong Court of Final Appeal Ordinance (Cap. 484) which stipulated that "[a] person who has been appointed as the Chief Justice, a permanent judge or a non-permanent judge shall not be entitled to practise as a barrister or solicitor in Hong Kong either while he holds office as such a judge or at any time after he ceases for any reason to hold office as such a judge and shall be deemed upon and by virtue of such appointment to be not qualified to practise as a barrister or solicitor".

The Administration was requested to provide members with a list of other provisions in Hong Kong legislation which impose prohibition on practice as barrister or solicitor for judges other than those in the Court of Final Appeal, similar to the above provision in section 13 of Cap. 484.

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