

Legislative Council Bills Committee on Fire Safety (Industrial Buildings) Bill

Views from the Hong Kong Institution of Engineers on Fire Safety (Industrial Buildings) Bill

The Hong Kong Institution of Engineers (HKIE) supports in principle the Fire Safety (Industrial Buildings) Bill to upgrade the fire safety standards of pre-1987 industrial buildings for the benefit and safety of the owners and occupiers as well as the general public.

2. The Institution is pleased to note that our earlier suggestion to the Security Bureau on posting of the fire safety directions on the concerned departmental websites has been adopted and incorporated in Division 6 - Publishing Information under Part 2 of the Bill.

3. Meanwhile, the Institution has earlier suggested to the Security Bureau to make provisions for carrying out of the default works in the target industrial buildings with substantial fire risk by the Administration and the corresponding cost recovery. We would like to reiterate that this suggestion is required for consideration when reviewing the Bill by the Bills Committee.