## Bills Committee on Smoking (Public Health) (Amendment) Bill 2019

## List of follow-up actions required of the Administration arising from the discussion at the meeting on 25 June 2019

The Administration was requested to:

- (a) compare the pros and cons, including but not limiting to the following aspects: (i) health risks; (ii) effects on smoking prevalence; (iii) legal and illicit trade of the products concerned; and (iv) duty revenue from tobacco, of the Administration's previous proposal to regulate electronic cigarettes and other new smoking products in a way similar to conventional smoking products as proposed in June 2018 versus the current legislative proposals which sought to prohibit the import, manufacture or sale, or use in certain places, of prescribed alternative smoking products; and to restrict the giving, possession, advertising or promotion of the products; and explain clearly the reasons for the above sudden change in the legislative direction for these products;
- (b) provide a response to the concern that the legislative proposals of not prohibiting the use of prescribed ASPs otherwise than in a no smoking area or public transport carrier and the possession of these products for self-use would give rise to black market trade activities; and
- (c) provide for members' reference the relevant materials, in full version and in bilingual form, issued by the Food and Drug Administration of the United States in respect of its issuance of a premarket tobacco product application marketing order to authorize the marketing of IQOS Tobacco Heating System, a heat-not-burn product, for the United States market after making certain that the marketing of which was appropriate for the protection of public health.

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