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**Position Report on Bills Committees and subcommittees  
(as at 8 October 2019)**

<b>Summary</b>	1. Number of Bills Committees in action	:	9	(see <u>List A</u> for details)
	2. Number of vacant slots of Bills Committee	:	7	
	3. Number of bills pending resumption of Second Reading debate	:	6	(see <u>List B</u> for details)
	4. Subcommittee on Members' Remuneration and Operating Expenses Reimbursement	:		(see <u>List C</u> for details)
	5. Number of subcommittee on subsidiary legislation/draft subsidiary legislation/ other instruments in action	:	0	
	6. Number of other subcommittee under House Committee in action	:	1	(see <u>List D</u> for details)
	7. Number of subcommittees under Panels in action	:	7	(see <u>List E</u> for details)
	8. Number of subcommittees on policy issues on the waiting list	:	5	(see <u>List F</u> for details)

## List A : Bills Committees in action

Name of Bills Committee Clerk	Date of First Reading of Bill	Date of formation of Bills Committee Chairman/Deputy Chairman	Date and number of meetings held	Date of reporting to House Committee	Expected date for resumption of Second Reading debate	Remarks
1. Bills Committee on Evidence (Amendment) Bill 2018 - Ms Sophie LAU CCS(4)2 Tel : 3919 3402	4.7.18	6.7.18  Hon CHEUNG Kwok-kwan, JP	5 20.7.18 18.10.18 13.11.18 10.12.18 25.1.19			Pending the Administration's response to members' concerns raised at the last meeting, the Bills Committee will decide whether a further meeting will be held.
2. Bills Committee on Hotel and Guesthouse Accommodation (Amendment) Bill 2018 - Ms Wendy JAN CCS(2)4 Tel : 3919 3204	11.7.18	5.10.18  Hon YIU Si-wing, BBS (Chairman)  Hon CHEUNG Kwok-kwan, JP (Deputy Chairman)	5 6.11.18 4.12.18 (2 sessions) 22.1.19 4.3.19 1.4.19			The Bills Committee will report to the House Committee in due course.
3. Bills Committee on Waste Disposal (Charging for Municipal Solid Waste) (Amendment) Bill 2018 - Ms Angel SHEK CCS(1)1 Tel : 3919 3105	14.11.18	16.11.18  Hon MA Fung-kwok, SBS, JP (Chairman)  Hon Steven HO Chun-yin, BBS (Deputy Chairman)	8 5.12.18 7.1.19 (3 sessions) 18.2.19 26.3.19 15.4.19 30.4.19 7.5.19 20.5.19			Next meeting to be scheduled.

Name of Bills Committee Clerk	Date of First Reading of Bill	Date of formation of Bills Committee Chairman/Deputy Chairman	Date and number of meetings held	Date of reporting to House Committee	Expected date for resumption of Second Reading debate	Remarks
4. Bills Committee on Fire Safety (Industrial Buildings) Bill - Miss Betty MA CCS(2)1 Tel : 3919 3201	12.12.18	14.12.18  Hon Tony TSE Wai-chuen, BBS	5 14.1.19 13.2.19 18.3.19 2.4.19 6.5.19			The Bills Committee will report to the House Committee in due course.
5. Bills Committee on Discrimination Legislation (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill 2018 - Miss Josephine SO CCS(2)2 Tel : 3919 3202	12.12.18	14.12.18  Hon Alice MAK Mei-kuen, BBS, JP (Chairman)  Hon Elizabeth QUAT, BBS, JP (Deputy Chairman)	4 14.1.19 25.2.19 26.3.19 7.5.19			Next meeting to be scheduled.
6. Bills Committee on Smoking (Public Health) (Amendment) Bill 2019 - Ms Maisie LAM CCS(2)5 Tel : 3919 3205	20.2.19	1.3.19  Hon KWOK Wai-keung, JP (Chairman)  Hon Elizabeth QUAT, BBS, JP (Deputy Chairman)	6 18.3.19 13.4.19 (4 sessions) 25.4.19 (5 sessions) 27.4.19 (4 sessions) 17.5.19 25.6.19			Next meeting to be scheduled.

Name of Bills Committee Clerk	Date of First Reading of Bill	Date of formation of Bills Committee Chairman/Deputy Chairman	Date and number of meetings held	Date of reporting to House Committee	Expected date for resumption of Second Reading debate	Remarks
7. Bills Committee on Broadcasting and Telecommunications Legislation (Amendment) Bill 2019 - Mr Daniel SIN CCS(1)6 Tel : 3919 3112	27.3.19	29.3.19  Hon Elizabeth QUAT, BBS, JP	2 16.4.19 7.5.19			The Bills Committee will report to the House Committee in due course, pending discussion with the Administration. As such, the Chairman of the Bills Committee has advised that the Bills Committee needs to work beyond three months since its commencement.
8. Bills Committee on Occupational Retirement Schemes (Amendment) Bill 2019 - Mr Derek LO CCS(1)5 Tel : 3919 3101	17.4.19	26.4.19  Hon Christopher CHEUNG Wah-fung, SBS, JP (Chairman)  Hon Kenneth LEUNG (Deputy Chairman)	1 17.5.19			The Chairman of the Bills Committee has advised that the Bills Committee needs to work beyond three months since commencement of its work on 17.5.19.  The Bills Committee will report to the House Committee in due course.
9. Bills Committee on Franchised Taxi Services Bill - Ms Sophie LAU CCS(4)2 Tel : 3919 3402	8.5.19	10.5.19  Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan, GBS, JP (Chairman)  Hon CHAN Han-pan, BBS, JP (Deputy Chairman)	1 3.6.19			The Chairman of the Bills Committee has advised that the Bills Committee needs to work beyond three months since commencement of its work on 3.6.19.  Next meeting to be scheduled.

**List B : Bills pending resumption of Second Reading debate** Note 1

Name of Bill	Date of First Reading of Bill	Date of House Committee meeting(s) at which the Bill was considered	Council meeting at which Second Reading debate resumed/will be resumed (if known)	Remarks
1. Inland Revenue (Amendment) (Tax Concessions) Bill 2019	20.3.19	22.3.19 26.4.19	23.10.19	<p>The Administration has given notice to resume the Second Reading debate on the Bill at the Council meeting of 26.6.19. As the Second Reading debate on the Bill was not dealt with at the Council meeting of 26.6.19 and both Council meetings of 3.7.19 and 10.7.19 were subsequently not held, the resumption of the Second Reading debate on the Bill will stand over to the Council meeting of 23.10.19.</p> <p>Following the Financial Secretary's announcement on 15.8.19 of the enhanced tax concession measure for the year of assessment 2018-2019, the Bills Committee has received the Administration's proposed amendments to the Bill which sought to implement the above enhanced tax concession measure. The Bills Committee will further report to the House Committee on 11.10.19 and will seek the support of the House Committee for recommending the President to give permission to dispense with the notice of moving the said amendments to the Bill.</p>

Name of Bill	Date of First Reading of Bill	Date of House Committee meeting(s) at which the Bill was considered	Council meeting at which Second Reading debate resumed/will be resumed (if known)	Remarks
2. Judicial Officers (Extension of Retirement Age) (Amendment) Bill 2019	20.3.19	22.3.19	23.10.19	The Administration has given notices to resume the Second Reading debates on the two Bills at the Council meeting of 10.7.19. As the Council meeting of 10.7.19 was subsequently not held, the resumption of the Second Reading debates on the two Bills will stand over to the Council meeting of 23.10.19.
3. Electoral Legislation (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill 2019	20.3.19	22.3.19	23.10.19	
4. Professional Accountants (Amendment) Bill 2018	15.11.18	16.11.18 22.3.19		—
5. National Anthem Bill	23.1.19	25.1.19 28.6.19		—
6. Trade Marks (Amendment) Bill 2019	20.2.19	1.3.19 10.5.19		—

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Note 1 On 15.6.19, the Administration has withdrawn the notice of resumption of the Second Reading debate on the Fugitive Offenders and Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters Legislation (Amendment) Bill 2019 at the Council meeting of 12.6.19. The Secretary for Security has written to the Chairman of the House Committee ("HC") on 4.10.19 consulting her on the withdrawal of the Bill at the first Council meeting of the 2019-2020 session (i.e. 16.10.19) in accordance with Rule 64(2) of the Rules of Procedure. The HC Chairman has directed that the said letter be included in the agenda of the HC meeting on 11.10.19.

## List C : Subcommittee on Members' Remuneration and Operating Expenses Reimbursement

Name of Subcommittee Clerk	Date of formation of Subcommittee Chairman/Deputy Chairman	Date and number of meetings held	Date of reporting to House Committee	Remarks
Subcommittee on Members' Remuneration and Operating Expenses Reimbursement - Ms Amy YU PCS1 Tel : 3919 3660	16.12.16  Hon WONG Ting-kwong, GBS, JP	5 20.1.17 20.6.17 20.12.17 4.6.18 7.5.19	28.6.19	—

### List D : Other subcommittee under House Committee in action

Name of Subcommittee Clerk	Date of formation of Subcommittee Chairman/Deputy Chairman	Number of meetings held (Date of first meeting)	Terms of reference of the subcommittee	Remarks
1. Subcommittee to Examine the Implementation in Hong Kong of Resolutions of the United Nations Security Council in relation to Sanctions - Mr Desmond LAM CCS(1)3 Tel : 3919 3103	14.10.16  Hon Kenneth LEUNG	6 (8.11.16)	To examine the implementation in Hong Kong resolutions of the United Nations Security Council in relation to sanctions by Regulations made under section 3 of the United Nations Sanctions Ordinance (Cap. 537) and to follow up the recommendations made by the previous Subcommittee.	—



## List E : Subcommittees under Panels in action

Name of Subcommittee Clerk	Date of formation of Subcommittee Chairman/Deputy Chairman	Number of meetings held (Date of first meeting) <sup>Note 2</sup>	Terms of reference of the subcommittee	Remarks
1. Subcommittee on Matters Relating to Railways under the Panel on Transport - Ms Sophie LAU CCS(4)2 Tel : 3919 3402	3.11.16  Hon Frankie YICK Chi-ming, SBS, JP (Chairman)  Hon LUK Chung-hung, JP (Deputy Chairman)	18 (18.11.16)	To follow up various issues relating to the planning and implementation of new railway projects, and the operation of existing railways as follows:  <u>Planning and implementation of new railway projects</u>  (a) planning and financing of new railway projects;  (b) environmental impact assessment of new railway projects;  (c) resumption of land arising from the implementation of new railway projects under the Railways Ordinance (Cap. 519);  (d) progress update on the implementation of new railway projects;	At the House Committee meeting on 6.7.18, Members agreed that permission be given for the Subcommittee to continue to work in the 2018-2019 session.  Following consultation with members on 18.6.19, the Subcommittee agreed to continue its work in the 2019-2020 session. The Panel on Transport has agreed to the proposal of the Subcommittee to seek the approval of the House Committee for further extension of its work in the 2019-2020 session. The proposal will be submitted to the House Committee for consideration on 11.10.19.  <i>(to be continued on next page)</i>

Name of Subcommittee Clerk	Date of formation of Subcommittee Chairman/Deputy Chairman	Number of meetings held (Date of first meeting) <sup>Note 2</sup>	Terms of reference of the subcommittee	Remarks
1. <i>(continued from previous page)</i>			<p>(e) provision of supporting public infrastructure for new railway projects; and</p> <p>(f) co-ordination of public transport services arising from the commissioning of new railway lines.</p> <p><u>Railway operation</u></p> <p>(a) performance of existing railway lines including train service performance and safety management;</p> <p>(b) maintenance programme; and</p> <p>(c) train service disruptions and breakdowns, and arrangements for handling emergency situations.</p> <p>Matters relating to corporate governance of the post-merger corporation and fares, including review of the fare adjustment mechanism, should be dealt with by the Panel on Transport.</p>	

Name of Subcommittee Clerk	Date of formation of Subcommittee Chairman/Deputy Chairman	Number of meetings held (Date of first meeting) <sup>Note 2</sup>	Terms of reference of the subcommittee	Remarks
2. Joint Subcommittee to Monitor the Implementation of the West Kowloon Cultural District Project under the Panel on Development and the Panel on Home Affairs - Ms Doris LO CCS(1)2 Tel : 3919 3106	11.11.16  Hon Jeffrey LAM Kin-fung, GBS, JP (Chairman)  Hon Jimmy NG Wing-ka, BBS, JP (Deputy Chairman)	17 (23.11.16)	To monitor issues relating to the implementation of the West Kowloon Cultural District project, including the work of the West Kowloon Cultural District Authority, the project's interface with arts and cultural development, and other related matters.	At the House Committee meeting on 6.7.18, Members agreed that permission be given for the Joint Subcommittee to continue to work in the 2018-2019 session.  At its meeting on 10.6.19, the Joint Subcommittee agreed to continue its work in the 2019-2020 session. The Panel on Development and the Panel on Home Affairs have agreed respectively to the proposal of the Joint Subcommittee to seek the approval of the House Committee for further extension of its work in the 2019-2020 session. The proposal will be submitted to the House Committee for consideration on 11.10.19.
3. Subcommittee to Follow Up Issues Related to Inadequate Housing and Relevant Housing Policies under the Panel on Housing - Mr Daniel SIN CCS(1)6 Tel : 3919 3112	15.11.16  Hon Vincent CHENG Wing-shun, MH, JP (Chairman)  Hon Andrew WAN Siu-kin (Deputy Chairman)	5 (14.12.18)	To study issues relating to inadequate housing and relevant housing policies, etc., discuss with the Administration on relevant policies and make recommendations.	Next meeting to be scheduled.

Name of Subcommittee Clerk	Date of formation of Subcommittee Chairman/Deputy Chairman	Number of meetings held (Date of first meeting) <sup>Note 2</sup>	Terms of reference of the subcommittee	Remarks
4. Joint Subcommittee on Issues Relating to the Regulation of Devices and Development of the Beauty Industry under the Panel on Health Services and the Panel on Commerce and Industry - Ms Angel WONG CCS(4)4 Tel : 3919 3404	28.2.17  Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan, GBS, JP (Chairman)  Hon Elizabeth QUAT, BBS, JP (Deputy Chairman)	5 (14.12.18)	To study issues relating to the regulation of devices and development of the beauty industry and make timely recommendations.	Next meeting to be scheduled.
5. Subcommittee on Issues Relating to the Support for Cancer Patients under the Panel on Health Services - Ms Maisie LAM CCS(2)5 Tel : 3919 3205	21.5.18  Dr Hon CHIANG Lai-wan, SBS, JP (Chairman)  Hon Elizabeth QUAT, BBS, JP (Deputy Chairman)	4 (22.3.19)	To study and review the Government's policies on promoting the short, medium and long-term development and support for prevention and treatment of cancer as well as relevant issues, and make timely recommendations.	Next meeting to be scheduled.
6. Subcommittee on Hillside Escalator Links and Elevator Systems under the Panel on Transport - Ms Sophie LAU CCS(4)2 Tel : 3919 3402	19.5.17  Hon CHAN Han-pan, BBS, JP (Chairman)  Hon AU Nok-hin (Deputy Chairman)	2 (26.3.19)	To study and follow-up issues relating to the provision of hillside escalator links and elevator systems.	Next meeting to be scheduled.

Name of Subcommittee Clerk	Date of formation of Subcommittee Chairman/Deputy Chairman	Number of meetings held (Date of first meeting) <sup>Note 2</sup>	Terms of reference of the subcommittee	Remarks
7. Joint Subcommittee to Follow Up Issues Relating to the Redevelopment, Maintenance and Management of Aged Buildings under the Panel on Development and the Panel on Home Affairs - Ms Wendy JAN CCS(2)4 Tel : 3919 3204	17.7.17  Hon LAU Kwok-fan, MH (Chairman)  Hon KWOK Wai-keung, JP (Deputy Chairman)	3 (22.3.19)	To study and follow up the issues relating to the redevelopment, maintenance and management of aged buildings (including but not limited to redevelopment, building structure and fire safety of aged buildings, the handling of problems of water seepage and signboards on external walls of aged buildings and the formation of owners' corporations and building management, etc.) and to make timely recommendations.	Next meeting to be scheduled.

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Note 2 A subcommittee on policy issues should complete its work within 12 months of its commencement, unless decided otherwise by the House Committee.  
The 12-month period is determined on the basis of the date of the first meeting of the subcommittee.

## List F : Subcommittees on policy issues on the waiting list

Name of Subcommittee	Date of appointment of Subcommittee	Terms of reference of the subcommittee	Remarks
1. Subcommittee on Issues Relating to Policy on Industrial Buildings under the House Committee	6.10.17	To study and follow up issues relating to the policy on industrial buildings, including the effectiveness of "revitalization of industrial buildings", usage of the existing industrial buildings, details of future policy support and other related issues.	At the meeting of the House Committee on 6.10.17, Members endorsed the appointment of the Subcommittee with the proposed terms of reference, work plan and time frame. Members noted that it would be placed on the waiting list.
2. Subcommittee on Issues Relating to the Development of Chinese Medicine under the Panel on Health Services	25.4.17	To study and review the Government's policies and initiatives to promote the short, medium and long-term development of Chinese medicine, and follow up on the issue of registration of Chinese medicines and other related matters.	At the meeting of the Panel on Health Services on 25.4.17, members endorsed the appointment of the Subcommittee with the proposed terms of reference, work plan and time frame. Members of the Panel noted that it would be placed on the waiting list.  At the House Committee meeting on 23.11.18, Members endorsed the proposal of the Panel on Health Services to swap the order of activation of the Subcommittee on Issues Relating to the Development of Chinese Medicine and the Subcommittee on Issues Relating to the Support for Cancer Patients on the waiting list, so as to enable the early activation of the latter when a vacant slot became available.
3. Subcommittee to Study Issues Relating to the Development of Electric Vehicles under the Panel on Environmental Affairs	26.11.18	To review and study Hong Kong's policies on electric vehicles, including policy implementation, target setting, support measures and other related matters.	At the meeting of the Panel on Environmental Affairs on 26.11.18, members endorsed the appointment of the Subcommittee with the proposed terms of reference, work plan and time frame. Members of the Panel noted that it would be placed on the waiting list.

Name of Subcommittee	Date of appointment of Subcommittee	Terms of reference of the subcommittee	Remarks
4. Joint Subcommittee on Long-term Care Policy under the Panel on Welfare Services and the Panel on Health Services	14.11.16	To study the long-term care policy and services, including home-based, community-based and residential care services for the elderly, people with disabilities and the chronically ill as well as discuss the policy concerned with the Administration and make timely recommendations.	<p>At the House Committee meeting on 1.12.17, Members agreed that the Joint Subcommittee be put on the waiting list for re-activation of work for another 12 months when a vacant slot arose.</p> <p>At the House Committee meeting on 6.7.18, Members considered the proposed arrangement for the order of activation of subcommittees on the waiting list and agreed that priority should be accorded to subcommittees which had not commenced work since their appointment over subcommittees which had completed their 12-month work period and been given endorsement by the House Committee to be put on the waiting list for re-activation.</p>
5. Subcommittee to Study Issues Relating to Animal Rights under the Panel on Food Safety and Environmental Hygiene	8.11.16	To study and follow-up on policies and measures relating to animal rights, and to put forward recommendations where necessary.	<p>At the House Committee meeting on 1.12.17, Members agreed that the Subcommittee be put on the waiting list for re-activation of work for another 12 months when a vacant slot arose.</p> <p>At the House Committee meeting on 6.7.18, Members considered the proposed arrangement for the order of activation of subcommittees on the waiting list and agreed that priority should be accorded to subcommittees which had not commenced work since their appointment over subcommittees which had completed their 12-month work period and been given endorsement by the House Committee to be put on the waiting list for re-activation.</p>