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Bills Committee on Free-Flow Tolling (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill 2021

Minutes of the first meeting held on Monday, 19 April 2021, at 4:45 pm in Conference Room 1 of the Legislative Council Complex

Members present : Hon Frankie YICK Chi-ming, SBS, JP (Chairman)
Hon CHAN Han-pan, BBS, JP
Hon SHIU Ka-fai, JP
Hon Wilson OR Chong-shing, MH
Hon LUK Chung-hung, JP
Hon Tony TSE Wai-chuen, BBS, JP

Public Officers attending : **Agenda item II**

Miss Winnie TSE Wing-yee
Deputy Secretary for Transport and Housing
(Transport) 3
Transport and Housing Bureau

Ms Vivien LI Chim-wing
Principal Assistant Secretary for Transport and
Housing (Transport) 2
Transport and Housing Bureau

Mr Michael LAW Hing-sun
Assistant Commissioner /
Technical Services
Transport Department

Mr Patrick WONG Chi-kwong
Assistant Commissioner /
Management and Paratransit
Transport Department

Ms Amy LEE Mei-fung
Principal Transport Officer /
Management
Transport Department

Ms Polly CHAN Siu-mui
Chief Transport Officer/
Infrastructure Management Planning
Transport Department

Mr George FONG Shung-kit
Senior Engineer / Smart Mobility 3
Transport Department

Miss Betty CHEUNG Yuet-wah
Senior Assistant Law Draftsman
Department of Justice

Miss Celia HO Wai-kwan
Government Counsel
Department of Justice

Clerk in attendance : Ms Sophie LAU
Chief Council Secretary (4)2

Staff in attendance: Mr Alvin CHUI
Assistant Legal Adviser 3

Ms Angela CHU
Senior Council Secretary (4)2

Miss Mandy LAM
Legislative Assistant (4)2

Action

I. Election of Chairman

Mr Frankie YICK, the member who had the highest precedence among members of the Bills Committee present at the meeting, presided over the election of the Chairman of the Bills Committee. He invited nominations for the chairmanship.

2. Mr CHAN Han-pan nominated Mr Frankie YICK and the nomination was seconded by Mr Wilson OR. Mr Frankie YICK accepted the nomination. There being no other nominations, Mr Frankie YICK was declared Chairman of the Bills Committee.

3. Members decided that there was no need to elect a Deputy Chairman for the Bills Committee.

II. Meeting with the Administration

(File Ref: THB(T)CR 1/4651/2019, LC Paper Nos. CB(3)418/20-21, LS60/20-21, CB(4)819/20-21(01)-(04))

4. The Bills Committee deliberated (index of proceedings in the **Annex**).

III. Any other business

5. There being no other business, the meeting ended at 6:30 pm.

Council Business Division 4
Legislative Council Secretariat
9 November 2021

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**Proceedings of the first meeting
Monday, 19 April 2021, at 4:45 pm
in Conference Room 1 of the Legislative Council Complex**

Time marker	Speaker	Subject(s)	Action required
<i>Agenda Item I – Election of Chairman</i>			
000604 – 000728	Mr Frankie YICK Mr CHAN Han-pan	Election of Chairman.	
<i>Agenda Item II – Meeting with the Administration</i>			
000729 – 001835	Chairman Administration	Briefing by the Administration on the objectives and main points of the Free-Flow Tolling (Miscellaneous Amendment) Bill 2021 ("the Bill").	
001836 – 002542	Chairman Mr LUK Chung-hung Administration	Discussion on the re-deployment of toll collectors after the implementation of free-flow tolling system ("FFTS").	
002543 – 003304	Chairman Mr Tony TSE Administration	Views expressed on the implementation of FFTS and arrangement relating to the "empty taxi lane" at the Eastern Harbour Crossing.	
003305 – 003916	Chairman Mr Wilson OR Administration	Views expressed by the transport trades regarding implementation of FFTS and discussion on implementation timetable and development of more smart mobility initiatives.	
003917 – 004205	Chairman Administration	Views expressed by the transport trades regarding the grace period allowed for the payment of toll under FFTS.	
004206 – 004807	Chairman Mr LUK Chung-hung Administration	Discussion on provision of financial compensation to the affected employees such as toll collectors upon implementation of FFTS.	
004808 – 005343	Chairman Mr Tony TSE Administration	Discussion on phased implementation of FFTS and benefits that it would bring.	
005344 – 005944	Chairman Mr LUK Chung-hung Administration	Issues relating to the splitting of tolls between vehicle owners and drivers and relating to the usage of toll tags.	
005945 – 011905	Chairman Mr Tony TSE Administration	Further discussion on implementation timetable and benefits of FFTS. Discussion on issues relating to toll collection and recovery mechanism, toll tags and relevant administrative arrangement.	

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011906 – 012200	Chairman Administration	<p>Clause-by-clause examination of the Bill</p> <p>Part 1 – Preliminary</p> <p><u>Clause 1 – Short title and commencement</u></p> <p><u>Clause 2 – Enactments amended</u></p>	
012201 – 012326	Chairman Administration	<p>Part 2 – Amendments to Road Tunnels (Government) Ordinance (Cap. 368)</p> <p><u>Clause 3 – Long title amended</u></p> <p><u>Clause 4 – Part 1 heading added</u></p>	
012327 – 012329	Chairman Administration	<p><u>Clause 5 – Section 2 amended (interpretation)</u></p> <p><i>(The Administration explained that the proposed amendments to section 2 of Cap. 368, as set out in Clause 5, broadly corresponded to the proposed amendments to section 2 of the Tsing Sha Control Area Ordinance (Cap. 594), as set out in Clause 37.)</i></p> <p><u>Clause 6 – Section 3 amended (application)</u></p> <p><u>Clause 7 – Part 2 heading added</u></p>	
012900 – 013636	Chairman Legal Adviser Administration	<p><u>Clause 8 – Sections 6, 7 and 8 substituted</u></p> <p><u>Clause 9 – Part 3 heading, section 8B and Part 4 heading added</u></p> <p><i>(The Administration explained that the proposed section 8B of Cap. 368, as set out in Clause 9, broadly corresponded to the proposed section 8A to Cap. 594, as set out in Clause 40.)</i></p> <p>Enquiry was made on whether the Administration would allow the co-existence of different toll collection modes for traffic flow in the same direction of a Tolloed Tunnel. The Administration replied that for traffic flow in the same direction, only one single mode of toll collection would be adopted (i.e. either booth mode or boothless mode) and the two modes would not co-exist for traffic flow in the same direction.</p>	

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013637 – 014819	Chairman Mr LUK Chung-hung Administration	<p><u>Clause 10 – Section 9A substituted</u></p> <p><i>(The Administration explained that the proposed section 9A of Cap. 368, as set out in Clause 10, broadly corresponded to the proposed section 28 of Cap. 594, as set out in Clause 54.)</i></p> <p>Discussion on manpower requirement of the toll service provider, and non-compliances of the tunnel operator/toll service provider and subsequent actions.</p> <p><u>Clause 11 – Section 14AA added</u></p> <p><i>(The Administration explained that the proposed section 14AA of Cap. 368, as set out in Clause 11, broadly corresponded to the proposed section 17A of Cap. 594, as set out in Clause 42.)</i></p>	
<i>Agenda Item III – Any other business</i>			
014820 – 014845	Chairman	Closing remark.	