

Bills Committee on Wild Animals Protection (Amendment) Bill 2023

**List of follow-up actions arising from the discussion
at the meeting on 18 December 2023**

The Administration is requested to provide the following information:

- (a) comparison of the statutory powers and functions of “authorized officer” and “specified officer” as defined under the Wild Animals Protection (Amendment) Bill 2023 (“the Bill”), with a view to addressing members’ concerns about any overlap in the powers and functions of these officers and potential confusion arising therefrom;
- (b) the meaning or definition of “feeding” for the purpose of enforcement of the Bill, including whether there is (i) any definition of the term under the relevant local legislation; and (ii) any interpretation of the term in previous court case(s) (in particular for convicted cases of offences involving feeding of wild animals); if yes, the details; and
- (c) flow chart(s) to explain the operation of the proposed new Schedule 9 to the Wild Animals Protection Ordinance (Cap. 170).

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