Bills Committee on Statute Law (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill 2025

List of follow-up actions required of the Administration arising from the discussion at the meeting on 6 June 2025

The Administration is requested to:

- (a) in respect of the proposed amendment to Schedule 3 to the Money Changers Ordinance (Cap. 34) under clause 5 of the Statute Law (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill 2025 ("the Bill"):
 - (i) explain whether the approach of listing the relevant countries, territories or places in the Chinese text of the Schedule in order of the number of strokes of the first character of the Chinese name, while listing the relevant countries, territories or places in the English text of the Schedule in alphabetical order by the first letter of the English name, is a prevailing law drafting convention; and
 - (ii) if the approach mentioned in (i) above is a prevailing law drafting convention, explain the reasons why the way of listing the relevant countries, territories or places in the Chinese text of Schedule 8 to the Insurance (Valuation and Capital) Rules (Cap. 41R) is not in line with the aforesaid convention; and
- (b) in respect of the proposed amendments to various references to "overseas" in the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Cap. 571) and its subsidiary legislation, as well as the Securities and Futures (Amendment) Ordinance 2014 (6 of 2014), under Part 55 of the Bill:
 - (i) explain the meanings of the references to "overseas" in the relevant existing provisions, including whether the geographical areas referred to in such references include Mainland China;
 - (ii) explain the reasons for using "海外" and "境外" as the Chinese renditions of the references to "overseas" in the relevant existing provisions;
 - (iii) explain the considerations and justifications for proposing to amend the references to "overseas" to "non-Hong Kong", "outside Hong Kong" or "non-local", as the case may be, and explain whether such amendments will affect the meanings of the provisions; and

(iv) consider making consistent amendments to the references to "overseas".

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