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Banking (Amendment) Bill 2025 Debate and voting arrangements

Object of the Bill:

To amend the Banking Ordinance (Cap. 155) to:

- (a) introduce a voluntary mechanism for authorized institutions ("AIs") to request or disclose information for the detection or prevention of crimes;
- (b) make safe harbour provisions for AIs disclosing information under the mechanism or using information so disclosed by other AIs; and
- (c) provide for related matters and make related amendments.

Joint debate: Clauses with no amendments, and a clause with amendments proposed by the Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury ("SFST")

Clauses 1 to 4

Joint debate on the original clauses and the amendments.

SFST's amendments

Technical or drafting amendments

Clause 4

- To amend the Chinese text of the proposed new section 68AAC(5)(a), by adding ",該項或該等活動顯示,"after "有合理理由相信".
- To amend the Chinese text of the proposed new section 68AAI(5)(b), by deleting "記" and substituting "紀".

- **Voting order**: 1. Clauses with no amendments (i.e. clauses 1 to 3) standing part of the Bill
 - 2. SFST's amendments (to amend clause 4)
 - 3. Clause 4 with or without amendments standing part of the Bill

SFST's amendments

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