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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

MINUTES

No. 5

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 6 November 2019 at 11:00 am and Thursday 7 November 2019 at 9:00 am

Attendance

The attendance of Members, public officers and Clerks is in the Official Record of Proceedings.

Papers laid on the Table of the Council

Two items of subsidiary legislation/instruments and four other papers laid on the Table of the Council under Rule 21(2) of the Rules of Procedure ("RoP") were in the **Appendix**.

Questions

Six oral questions (i.e. Questions 1 to 6) were put by the Members, and oral replies given by the public officers to the main and supplementary questions put by Members.

Written replies to Questions 7 to 22 were supplied to Members.

Request for moving an adjournment motion under RoP 16(2)

Hon Martin LIAO rose to seek the President's permission for him to move an adjournment motion under RoP 16(2). The President suspended the meeting to consider Mr LIAO's request. After consideration, the President did not accede to the request and explained his decision to the Council.

Government Bills

Consideration by committee of the whole Council and Third Reading

Inland Revenue (Amendment) : Secretary for Financial Services
 (Tax Concessions) Bill 2019 and the Treasury

The Council became committee of the whole Council to continue the consideration of the Bill. The provisions of the Bill and amendments thereto were debated and voted in accordance with the relevant debate and voting arrangements and the relevant provisions of RoP. During the consideration of the Bill, the following questions were put:

	Order of questions put	Decisions taken (details of division, if any)
_	Clauses 1 to 4 stand part of the Bill	Passed
_	Public officer's first amendment to clause 5	Passed
_	Clause 5 as amended stand part of the Bill	Passed
_	Public officer's second amendment to the long title	Passed

The Council then resumed. The public officer reported that the Bill had been passed by committee of the whole Council with amendments. The question on the motion that the report made under RoP 58(12) by the public officer be adopted by this Council was proposed, put and agreed to. The Bill was ordered to be set down for Third Reading under RoP 59. The question on the Third Reading of the Bill was proposed. After Members had spoken, the question on the Third Reading of the Bill was put and agreed to. The Bill was read the third time and passed.

Second Reading (debate to resume)

 Judicial Officers (Extension of Retirement : Chief Secretary for Administration Age) (Amendment) Bill 2019

The debate on the Second Reading of the Bill, which was moved on 20 March 2019, resumed. After Members and the public officer had spoken, the question on the Second Reading of the Bill was put and agreed to. The Bill was read the second time.

Next meeting

The President declared that the next Council meeting would be held on 13 November 2019 at 11:00 am.

The Council was adjourned at 7:22 pm on 7 November 2019.

(Andrew LEUNG Kwan-yuen)

President Legislative Council

Chamber

Legislative Council Complex, Hong Kong

6 December 2019

Council meeting of 6 November 2019

Papers laid on the Table of the Council

Subsidiary legislation/instruments Legal Notice No. 1. Employees Retraining Ordinance (Amendment of 159 of 2019 Schedule 2) Notice 2019 (gazetted on 1 November 2019) 2. Certificates (Rate Reserve of Interest) 160 of 2019 (Consolidation) (Amendment) Notice 2019 (gazetted on 1 November 2019)

Other papers

- 3. Customs and Excise Service Welfare Fund Financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2019 and its summary, and the Report of the Director of Audit (published on 30 October 2019)
- 4. Customs and Excise Service Children's Education Trust Fund Report by the Trustee for the year 1 April 2018 to 31 March 2019 (including Financial statements and Report of the Director of Audit) (published on 30 October 2019)
- 5. Hong Kong Science and Technology Parks Corporation 2018-2019 Annual Report (including Consolidated Financial Statements and Independent Auditor's Report) (published on 30 October 2019)
- 6. Hong Kong Productivity Council
 Annual Report, Independent Auditor's Report and Financial Statements 2018-19
 (published on 30 October 2019)