LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY
FLOWCHART FOR BILLS

GOVERNMENT DRAFT BILL

Notify Deputy Clerk of intention to Introduce Bill, for advice regarding drafting of Bill and Explanatory Memorandum (EM), printing of Bill and Explanatory Memoranda by SLP, and prepare the Notice of Motion and subsequent motions

PRIVATE MEMBER’S DRAFT BILL

Parliamentary Services Branch (DPC) provides 2nd Reading Speech to Assembly Office (Govt Bill)

Minister/Member gives notice to introduce a Bill

Legislative Council originated Bill Passed and Message sent to Legislative Assembly

Minister/Member moves motion for 2nd Reading Speech. Bills are then distributed to Members (for Private Member’s Bills, this 2nd Reading Speech is presented during Private Members’ Business)

Speaker reads Message. First Reading is made an Order of the Day, or Minister/Member moves First Reading

2nd Reading debate adjourned. Bill becomes an Order of the Day, and remains on the Notice Paper for three weeks (unless declared an Urgent Bill)

At later date, the Leader of the House (or Minister) brings on Bill for resumption of the 2nd Reading debate (debate may continue over several sitting days)

Minister/Member moves introduction and First Reading

Minister/Member moves motion for 2nd Reading Speech. Bills are then distributed to Members (for Private Member’s Bills, this 2nd Reading Speech is presented during Private Members’ Business)

Other Members may contribute to Third reading debate

If a Legislative Assembly Bill, the Bill is transmitted to the Legislative Council for its consideration

If Legislative Council Bill which is amended by the Legislative Assembly, a Message indicating proposed amendments is sent to the Legislative Council for its concurrence

*Note: If a question is not passed the Bill is defeated.