

A BILL

To

Amend the Noise Control Ordinance.

Enacted by the Governor of Hong Kong, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof.

1. Short title

This Ordinance may be cited as the Noise Control (Amendment) Ordinance 1997.

2. Construction noise permits

Section 8(5) of the Noise Control Ordinance (Cap. 400) is amended by repealing "any principle or procedure" and substituting "any principle, procedure, guideline, standard or limit".

3. Technical Memoranda relating to noise emanating from construction sites

Section 9 is amended by adding -

"(1A) Without prejudice to the generality of subsection (1), a Technical Memorandum issued under that subsection may set out different principles, procedures, guidelines, standards and limits in respect of different types of percussive device that may be used in percussive piling.".

Explanatory Memorandum

The object of this Bill is to amend the Noise Control Ordinance (Cap. 400) to enable -

- (a) the Noise Control Authority to refuse to issue a construction noise permit if the issue of such permit may breach any criterion set out in a Technical Memorandum issued under that Ordinance;
- (b) the Secretary for Planning, Environment and Lands to set out in a Technical Memorandum different criteria relating to the issue of construction noise permits for different types of percussive device that may be used in percussive piling.