

Review of Fees and Improvement Measures on Liquor Licensing

檢討酒牌服務收費 及改善措施



Background 背景

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- Position Prior to 2000 2000年前的情況

Ex-Urban Council
前市政局

LL services in the urban
areas
市區酒牌服務

Ex-Regional Council
前區域市政局

LL services in the New
Territories areas
新界區酒牌服務

Disparities in fee levels
收費水平不一致

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LL Services 酒牌服務	Fees Before alignment (\$) 劃一收費前費用 (元)		Fees After alignment (\$) 劃一收費後費用 (元)
	Urban areas (since 1998) 市區 (1998年起)	NT (since 1997) 新界 (1997年起)	Whole territory (since July 2013) 全港 (2013年7月起)
New Issue /Renewal (1-year) 簽發新牌照／牌照續期(一年)			
➤LL (bar) 酒牌(酒吧)	3,940	4,300	3,940
➤Club LL (bar) 會社酒牌(酒吧)	3,940	1,100	1,100
➤LL (no bar) 酒牌(沒有酒吧)	1,990	2,200	1,990
➤Club LL(no bar) 會社酒牌(沒有酒吧)	1,990	1,100	1,100

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Transfer 轉讓牌照	140	780	140
Amendment 修訂牌照	140	610	140
Issue of Duplicates 發出牌照複本	140	140	140
Authorisation of person to manage premises 授權他人管理處所	10	10	10

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2013-14 Budget

2013至14年度《財政預算案》

Announced a review of fees and charges
宣布檢討政府收費

- Public subsidy only when justified
- 只在合理依據的情況下提供公帑資助
- Forestall cost recovery items to be heavily subsidised
- 避免對“用者自付”收費項目作出大幅補貼

FEHD has reviewed its fee items

食環署展開檢討

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- Same fees are charged for services requiring great disparity in **complexity** and **efforts** required
- 有些服務在**複雜性**和**工作量**方面存在甚大差距，卻收取相同費用
- Obsolete fee structure engendered in the era of ex-Urban Council and ex- Regional Council, which **no longer reflects fully the relative costs**
- 前市政局和前區域市政局時代所訂立的收費制度不合時宜，**未能反映相對成本**



Current Position

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- FEHD conducted an in-house **costing** exercise
- 食環署進行內部**成本計算**工作
- Overall cost recovery rate for liquor licensing services is **only 38%**
- 酒牌服務的整體成本收回率**只達38%**
- Subsidy by taxpayers of around **\$24 million** per annum
- 每年由納稅人補貼約**2,400萬元**

Current Position 目前情況

- **Absence of fee adjustments** over the past two decades
- 過去二十年**沒有調整收費**
- Propose to **rationalise the fee structure**, better reflect the relative cost
- 建議**優化收費制度**，準確反映相對成本
- Based on the rationalised fee structure , **projection of the estimated fees** at the 2017/18 price level

按照優化的收費制度，推算2017/18 的各項**預算收費水平**



Rationalisation of the Fee Structure 合理調整收費制度

	Current Fee (\$) 現行 收費 (元)	Estimated Full Cost Recovery Fee at 2017/18 price level (\$) 按2017/18年度價格水平預算 悉數收回的成本費用(元)	No. of Cases in 2016 2016年 個案數目	Amount of Subsidy (\$ million) 補貼業界金額 (百萬元)
New Issue 簽發新牌照				
➢ LL(bar)酒牌(酒吧)	3,940	17,020	75	10.2
➢ Club-LL(bar)會社酒牌(酒吧)	1,100	17,020	5	
➢ LL(no bar)酒牌(沒有酒吧)	1,990	8,510	1 107	
➢ Club-LL(no bar) 會社酒牌(沒有酒吧)	1,100	8,510	15	
Renewal 續期				
One year 一年				2.0
➢ LL(bar) 酒牌(酒吧)	3,940	5,110	433	
➢ Club-LL(bar) 會社酒牌(酒吧)	1,100	5,110	28	
➢ LL(no bar) 酒牌(沒有酒吧)	1,990	2,550	2 206	
➢ Club-LL(no bar) 會社酒牌(沒有酒吧)	1,100	2,550	60	
Two year 兩年				
➢ LL(bar) 酒牌(酒吧)	5,910	7,660	229	12
➢ Club-LL(bar) 會社酒牌(酒吧)	1,650	7,660	30	
➢ LL(no bar) 酒牌(沒有酒吧)	2,990	3,820	1 295	
➢ Club-LL(no bar) 會社酒牌(沒有酒吧)	1,650	3,820	84	

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Transfer 轉讓牌照				10.4
➤ LL(bar) 酒牌(酒吧)	140	10,770	303	
➤ Club-LL(bar) 會社酒牌(酒吧)	140	10,770	18	
➤ LL(no bar) 酒牌(沒有酒吧)	140	5,380	1123	
➤ Club-LL(no bar) 會社酒牌(沒有酒吧)	140	5,380	56	
Amendment 修訂牌照				
➤ LL(bar) 酒牌(酒吧)	140	10,770	34	
➤ Club-LL(bar) 會社酒牌(酒吧)	140	10,770	0	
➤ LL(no bar) 酒牌(沒有酒吧)	140	5,380	81	
➤ Club-LL(no bar) 會社酒牌(沒有酒吧)	140	5,380	2	

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Issue of duplicates 發出牌照複本	140	425	7	0.002
Authorisation of person to manage premises 授權他人管理處所				
- not more than 30 days 不超過30天	10	695	641	0.4
- more than 30 days 超過30天	10	4,260	209	0.9



Possible Impact/Mitigation

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- About **17%** liquor-licensed premises with bar endorsement. A small increase in renewal fees are expected.
(For liquor licence with bar endorsement, \$1,170 or \$875 a year on average, or **\$97.5 or \$72.9 monthly**)
- 約**17%**領有酒牌處所是有酒吧批註，牌照續期費用只會稍微增加
(如酒牌有酒吧批註, 平均每年**1,170元**或**875元**，或平均**每月97.5元**或**72.9元**)
- May implement the fees adjustment on an **incremental basis** to **alleviate** the impact on the trade, e.g. recovering full cost **in two years**.

考慮以**遞增方式**調整收費，**紓緩**對業界的影響，如**兩年內**收回全部成本的情況



Legislative steps

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- To finalise a fee revision proposal for submission to the LegCo Panel in **late 2017**
- 敲定調整收費方案，在**2017年年底**提交立法會委員會

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- To table the necessary amendment on Part 2 of Cap 109H to the LegCo by **early 2018**
- 計劃在**2018年年初**向立法會提出修訂《應課稅品(酒牌)(費用)規例》(第109H章)第2部

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- To implement the fee adjustment before **April 2018**
- **2018年4月**前便可實施有關的調整收費



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- FEHD implemented LL Processing System in 2009 and LLB has implemented the following measures between 2013 and 2017 –
- 食環署在2009年落實採用處理酒牌電腦系統，酒牌局在2013年至2017年期間實施下列措施：
 - a) Extending the duration of a LL from one year to **two years**
酒牌有效期由一年延長至**兩年**
 - b) Allowing the submission of application forms electronically either by **assigned passwords** or digital certificates
接受電子方式**以獲編配的通行密碼**或數碼證書提交申請表格
 - c) introducing an optional **“reserve licensee” mechanism**
推行非強制性的**“後備持牌人”制度**

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- d) Publishing on the LLB website a set **of Guidelines** in the interest of enhancing transparency
在酒牌局網站**公布指引**，述明審批酒牌申請時所考慮的因素，以提高透明度
- e) Allowing the licensee to submit renewal applications between 3 and 4 months prior to expiry of LL so that the licensee would have sufficient time
容許持牌人於酒牌有效期屆滿**前三至四個月**提交續牌申請，以便持牌人有充分時間
- f) Setting out the procedures of processing “**application of transfer of liquor licence without the consent of the existing licensee**”
訂立處理“**未有原持牌人同意下的酒牌轉讓申請**”的程序

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- In the coming years,
 - further streamlining and facilitation measures will be explored and proposed
 - to better the service to the trade and reduce costs, for instance, further development of e-service to LL **through an online service system.**
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 - 研究和建議更多簡化和利便營商的措施，
 - 為了向業界提供更優質的服務和減低成本，例如**經現時網上服務系統**以進一步推展酒牌方面的電子服務。



Q&A

問答



Thank You

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