(Translation)

Hon CHAN Chun-ying's motion on "Enacting dedicated laws and regulations to regulate greenwashing"

Wording of the Motion

That green and low-carbon development is the direction of the technological revolution and industrial transformation in the present era, and green economy has become the focus of global industrial competition; green environmental protection awareness has gradually taken root in the hearts of the people and affected the life, consumption and investment choices of the public, but if the environmental actions of or the environmental protection features of the products of an enterprise are inconsistent with the actual situations, resulting in consumers or the public being misled, the enterprise concerned may face legal proceedings and lose public trust once its greenwashing behaviour is exposed; strengthening regulation of greenwashing is the general trend, and different regions have successively introduced or formulated dedicated laws and regulations to regulate greenwashing; in this connection, this Council urges the Government to expeditiously enact dedicated laws and regulations to regulate greenwashing, so as to effectively monitor and punish greenwashing behaviour, thereby facilitating the sustainable and healthy development of green economy in Hong Kong.