

**L.N. 32 of 2023**

## **Legal Aid Ordinance**

### **Resolution of the Legislative Council**

Resolution made and passed by the Legislative Council under section 22A of the Legal Aid Ordinance (Cap. 91) on 15 March 2023.

**Resolved** that the Legal Aid Ordinance (Cap. 91) be amended as set out in the Schedule.

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## Schedule

### Amendments to Legal Aid Ordinance

1. **Section 18A amended (charge on property recovered)**
  - (1) Section 18A(5)(b)—  
**Repeal**  
“\$9,100”  
**Substitute**  
“\$9,370”.
  - (2) Section 18A(5)(c)—  
**Repeal**  
“\$9,100” (wherever appearing)  
**Substitute**  
“\$9,370”.
  
2. **Section 19B amended (disposal by Director of moneys paid to him)**

Section 19B(1)(a), proviso—

**Repeal**  
“\$108,850”

**Substitute**  
“\$112,120”.

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Kenneth CHEN Wei-on  
Clerk to the Legislative Council

15 March 2023

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### **Explanatory Note**

Under the Legal Aid Ordinance (Cap. 91)—

- (a) an outstanding contribution or other sum required to be paid by an aided person to the Director of Legal Aid (*Director*) constitutes a first charge for the benefit of the Director on the property recovered or preserved by the person in the relevant proceedings, but the charge does not apply to maintenance payments for a spouse or former spouse up to the monthly rate specified in section 18A(5)(b) and (c) of the Ordinance; and
  - (b) on receiving the moneys paid to the Director in relation to an aided person's proceedings, the Director is entitled to retain certain sums and may reduce those sums in case of serious hardship to any person, but the reduction must not exceed the amount specified in the proviso to section 19B(1)(a) of the Ordinance.
2. This Resolution increases the specified monthly rate and the specified amount.