## Measures to improve the information transparency of financial institutions (banking)

- 1. In an effort to improve the quality of the information disclosed by financial institutions and to bring Taiwan's accounting principles in line with international standards, thereby bringing market discipline into greater function, the Financial Supervisory Commission (FSC) in recent years has amended a number of laws and regulations governing matters such as financial reports and prospectuses. In drafting these amendments, the FSC has made reference to the disclosure practice of international banks and financial groups.
  - (1) To adopt the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs), the "Regulations Governing the Preparation of Financial Reports by Public Banks" and the "Regulations Governing the Preparation of Financial Reports by Public Bills Finance Companies" have been amended 13 times and 12 times, respectively, since 19 August 2011. The latest amendments of these two regulations were promulgated on 16 January 2024. Meanwhile, the "Regulations Governing the Preparation of Financial Reports by Financial Holding Companies," amended 11 times since 11 October 2011, was last revised on 30 December 2022.
  - (2) The "Regulations Governing Information to be Published in Financial Institution Prospectuses for Offering and Issuance of Securities" has been amended 9 times since 30 October 2012. The latest amendments of the regulations were promulgated on 19 February 2024.
- 2. In order to further implement corporate governance and enhance information transparency regarding financial institutions promoting sustainable development and cyber security management and the remuneration of directors, supervisors, general managers, and deputy general managers, the FSC amended the "Regulations Governing Information to be Published in Annual Reports of Banks," the "Regulations Governing Information to be Published in Annual Reports of Financial Holding Companies," and the "Regulations Governing Information to be Published in Annual Reports of Bills Finance Companies" have been amended 10 times since 14 April 2011, respectively. The latest amendments of these regulations were promulgated on 19 February 2024.
- 3. In furtherance of sound corporate government systems and integrity of the financial institutions, the FSC has directed the Bankers Association of the ROC to revise "Corporate Governance Best-Practice Principles for Banks"

and "Corporate Governance Best-Practice Principles for Financial Holding Companies" in September 2017, March 2019, October 2022, and April 2023.