

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 disclosures that are handled by international banks and financial groups. The following are the amendments in question:
 - (1) The "Regulations Governing the Preparation of Financial Reports by Public Banks" were amended on 9 January 2014, 21 October 2014, 28 July 2015, 24 February 2017, 2 August 2017, 11 September 2018 and 19 June 2019. The "Regulations Governing the Preparation of Financial Reports by Public Bills Finance Companies" and the "Regulations Governing the Preparation of Financial Reports by Financial Holding Companies" were all amended on 9 January 2014, 21 October 2014, 24 February 2017, 2 August 2017, 11 September 2018 and 19 June 2019 respectively.
 - (2) The "Regulations Governing Information to be Published in Financial Institution Prospectuses for Offering and Issuance of Securities" were amended on 30 October 2012, 13 March 2015, 24 July 2015, 3 March 2017 and 6 July 2018.
2. In order to further implement corporate governance and enforce greater transparency regarding 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" on 14 April 2011, 1 February 2013, 13 March 2015, 18 February 2016, 3 March 2017 and 6 July 2018 respectively.
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 and March 2019.