

# Copyright (Amendment) Ordinance 2022

## Main Contents

### Why update the copyright regime?

- Drive growth in the creative economy
- Protect original works effectively
- Allow reasonable use of copyright works
- Keep the copyright regime up-to-date
- Support development of a regional intellectual property trading centre

### What's new?

#### Technology-neutral exclusive communication right

Ensure communication of copyright works to the public through any mode of electronic transmission would be protected

Introduce **corresponding criminal sanctions**

#### Safe harbour

Introduce provisions to limit online service providers' liability for subscribers' copyright infringement acts on their service platforms, provided that they meet certain prescribed conditions

#### Additional damages

Introduce 2 additional statutory factors for the court to consider when assessing whether to award additional damages to copyright owners in civil cases involving infringement

#### Copyright exceptions

3 new categories :

- parody, satire, caricature and pastiche
- commenting on current events
- quotation