342B. Provisions as to expert's consent, and allotment

- (1) It shall not be lawful for any person to issue, circulate or distribute in Hong Kong any prospectus offering for subscription or purchase shares in or debentures of a company incorporated outside Hong Kong, whether the company has or has not established a place of business in Hong Kong— (Amended 6 of 1984 s. 259; 30 of 2004 s. 2)
 - (a) if, where the prospectus includes a statement purporting to be made by an expert, he has not given, or has before delivery of the prospectus for registration withdrawn, his written consent to the issue of the prospectus with the statement included in the form and context in which it is included or there does not appear in the prospectus a statement that he has given and has not withdrawn his consent as aforesaid; or
 - (b) if the prospectus does not have the effect, where an application is made in pursuance thereof, of rendering all persons concerned bound by all the provisions (other than penal provisions) of sections 44A (except insofar as exemption from compliance has been granted under section 342A) and 44B so far as applicable. (Amended 86 of 1992 s. 14)
- (1A) (Repealed 30 of 2004 s. 2)
 - (2) In this section the expression *expert* (專家) includes engineer, valuer, accountant and any other person whose profession gives authority to a statement made by him, and for the purposes of this section a statement shall be deemed to be included in a prospectus if it is contained therein or in any report or memorandum appearing on the face thereof or by reference incorporated therein or issued therewith.

(Added 78 of 1972 s. 18) [cf. 1948 c. 38 s. 419 U.K.]