

Legislation Progress of the Whistleblower Protection Act Promoted by Agency Against Corruption, Ministry of Justice

Date	Item
2012.8	Agency Against Corruption (hereinafter referred to as “AAC”) commissioned National Chengchi University to conduct policy and legislative research on Protection of Whistleblowers Disclosing Illegal Information within Public Sector. The principal investigator was Professor Sheng-Chieh Lee.
2012.11.21	AAC submitted the draft Whistleblower Protection Act (Public Sector) to the Ministry of Justice.
2013.4.11 and 2013.6.28	AAC held 2 sessions of 2013 Integrity and Transparent Forum on discussion about “Whistleblower Protection” with National University of Kaohsiung and National Chengchi University respectively.
2013.11	To understand the feasibility of the introduction of a single dedicated whistleblower protection law applying to both public and private sectors, AAC commissioned Taiwan Technology Law Institute to conduct legislative research on Whistleblower for Public Interest Disclosure Protection Act in the Private Sector. The principal investigator was Professor Chih-Chieh Lin.
2013.12.23 to 2014.10.22	The Ministry of Justice had convened monthly meeting with experts from industry, government and university to review Whistleblower Protection Act drafted by AAC for 11 times.
2014.12.31	Ministry of Justice submitted the draft Whistleblower Protection Act (Public Sector, Version 1) to the Executive Yuan for deliberation.
2015.6.8	The Executive Yuan convened the first meeting for reviewing the draft Whistleblower Protection Act submitted by the Ministry of Justice.
2015.7.29	The Executive Yuan convened the second meeting for reviewing the draft Whistleblower Protection Act submitted by the Ministry of Justice.
2015.8.17	The Executive Yuan convened the third-meeting for reviewing the draft Whistleblower Protection Act submitted by the Ministry of Justice.
2015.10.30	The Ministry of Justice considered the suggestions in each review and submitted the draft Whistleblower Protection Act (Public Sector, Version 2) to the Executive Yuan for deliberation.
2015.12.4	The Executive Yuan convened the fourth meeting for reviewing the draft Whistleblower Protection Act submitted by the Ministry of Justice.
2016.2.19	The Ministry of Justice submitted the draft Whistleblower Protection Act (Public Sector, Version 3) to the Executive Yuan for deliberation.
2016.6	Chinese Taipei and Papua New Guinea jointly proposed organizing an “APEC Workshop on Enhancing Whistleblower Protection in Corruption Cases”, successfully receiving the recognition and subsidization by APEC.
2016.7.15	The Ministry of Justice submitted the draft Whistleblower Protection Act (Public Sector, Version 4) to the Executive Yuan for deliberation.
2017.2.8 to	To promote public dialogues and invite citizens to formulate the policies, the Ministry of Justice established the “Public Policy Online Participation

2017.4.9	Platform- Talk” regarding “the draft Whistleblower Protection Act”.
2017.7.19-20	Chinese Taipei and Papua New Guinea jointly hosted the “APEC Workshop on Enhancing Whistleblower Protection in Corruption Cases” in Grand Victoria Hotel and invited preventatives from 13 economies including United States, New Zealand, Malaysia, Singapore, Vietnam, Korea, Indonesia, Thailand, Philippines, Chile and Japan to participate in the discussion about valuable and practical experience of whistleblower protection.
2017.8.12	The summary meeting of the Presidential Office National Conference on Judicial Reform concluded with the resolution on whistleblower protection policy: (1) to enhance anti-corruption policy and legislation, the Ministry of Justice shall submit the draft Whistleblower Protection Act applying to public sectors to the Executive Yuan by the end of October 2017; (2) considering the complexity and magnitude of the Whistleblower for Public Interest Disclosure Protection Act applying to private sectors involved , the Ministry of Justice shall accommodate the opinion of all parties, relevant ministries and committees to determine an appropriate policy of legislation by 2018.
2017.10.19	The Ministry of Justice conducted a questionnaire survey on the policy and legislative recommendation of the current and future whistleblower protection applying to private sector.
2017.10.24	The Ministry of Justice submitted the draft Whistleblower Protection Act (Public Sector, Version 5) to the Executive Yuan for deliberation.
2017.12.11	AAC convened a round-table meeting on legislating Whistleblower Protection Act to discuss the issues and framework for a single dedicated whistleblower protection law applying to both public and private sector sectors (Session 1).
2017.11.28 and 2018.1.12	AAC held two sessions of the Whistleblower Protection Act Legislation Seminar
2018.2.5	AAC coordinated and commissioned two research programs for foreign legislation of whistleblower protection: I. Research on Whistleblower Protection System Legislation and Practice in Japan hosted by Associate Professor Liang-Jung Lin from National Chengchi University. II. Research on Whistleblower Protection System Legislation and Practice in the United Kingdom hosted by Assistant Professor Kuo-Hsin Hsieh from National Chung Cheng University.
2018.2.9	AAC convened a round-table meeting on legislating Whistleblower Protection Act (Session 2).
2018.3.26	AAC convened a round-table meeting on legislating Whistleblower Protection Act (Session 3).
2018.4.16	AAC convened a round-table meeting on legislating Whistleblower Protection Act (Session 4).
2018.5.8	AAC convened a round-table meeting on legislating Whistleblower Protection Act (Session 5).
2018.5.28	AAC coordinated the Draft Whistleblower Protection Act (Version Applicable to both Public and Private Sectors) Legislation Seminar- Private Sector Session – with participation of representatives from capital and labor as well as law and accountant firms.

2018.7.6	AAC coordinated the Draft Whistleblower Protection Act (Version Applicable to both Public and Private Sectors) Legislation Seminar- Public Sector Session – with participation of representatives from the Judicial Yuan, the Control Yuan Ministry of Civil Service, and the industry competent authorities related to this policy.
2018.7.16	AAC convened a round-table meeting on legislating Whistleblower Protection Act (Session 6).
2018.11.23 to 2018.12.13	The Ministry of Justice announced the draft Whistleblower Protection Act, and was open to suggestion by holding public consultation on the “Public Policy Online Participation Platform- Talk”, simultaneously conducting gender impact assessment of the draft act.
2018.12.18	The Ministry of Justice submitted the draft Whistleblower Protection Act (Version Applicable to both Public and Private Sectors, Version 6) to the Executive Yuan for deliberation.
2019.2.23	The Executive Yuan convened the 5th meeting for reviewing the draft Whistleblower Protection Act submitted by the Ministry of Justice.
2019.3.7	AAC convened the consultation on the draft Whistleblower Protection Act with representatives of the Judicial Yuan, Ministry of Civil Service, Civil Service Protection and Training Commission.
2019.3.21	The Executive Yuan convened the 6th meeting for reviewing the draft Whistleblower Protection Act submitted by the Ministry of Justice.
2019.4.9	The Executive Yuan convened the 7th meeting for reviewing the draft Whistleblower Protection Act submitted by the Ministry of Justice.
2019.4.19	The Ministry of Justice submitted the draft Whistleblower Protection Act (Version Applicable to both Public and Private Sectors, Version 7) to the Executive Yuan for deliberation.
2019.5.2	The 3649th Meeting of the Executive Yuan deliberated and passed the draft Whistleblower Protection Act.
2019.5.3	The Executive Yuan submitted the draft Whistleblower Protection Act to the Legislative Yuan for examination.
2019.5.23	In the 25th Judiciary and Organic Laws and Statutes Committee meeting, during the 7th Session of the 9th Legislative Yuan, the following 7 proposals were examined together: the draft Whistleblower Protection Act submitted by the Executive Yuan, the draft Whistleblowing Protection Act proposed by New Power Party, the draft Whistleblower Protection Act proposed by 18 legislators including Yi-Kang Tuan, the draft Public Interest Disclosure Protection Act proposed by 32 legislators including Kung-Chao Chung, the draft Whistleblower Protection and Reward Rules proposed by 19 legislators including Ming-Wen Chen, the draft Whistleblower Protection Act proposed by People First Party and the draft the Whistleblower Protection Act proposed by 22 legislators including Wan-Ju Yu.
2019.5.27	In the 26th Judiciary and Organic Laws and Statutes Committee meeting, during the 7th Session of the 9th Legislative Yuan, the above 7 proposals submitted by the Executive Yuan and legislators were examined together.
2019.10.23	Judiciary and Organic Laws and Statutes Committee, during the 8th Session of the 9th Legislative Yuan, held the first negotiation among political parties to examined the above 7 proposals submitted by the Executive Yuan and legislators.
2019.10.30	Judiciary and Organic Laws and Statutes Committee, during the 8th

	Session of the 9th Legislative Yuan, held the second negotiation among political parties to examined the above 7 proposals submitted by the Executive Yuan and legislators.
2020.1.11	Legislators were re-elected. The draft Whistleblower Protection Act had not been resolved by the end of the 9th legislators' term; hence the draft would not continue to be examined in the next Legislative Yuan.
2020.2.20	The Ministry of Justice submitted the draft Whistleblower Protection Act (Version Applicable to both Public and Private Sectors, Version 8) to the Executive Yuan for deliberation.
2020.3.11	The Executive Yuan convened the 8th meeting for reviewing the draft Whistleblower Protection Act submitted by the Ministry of Justice.
2020.3.25	The Ministry of Justice widely consulted public sectors about the draft Whistleblower Protection Act by letter of inquiry.
2020.6.5	The Executive Yuan convened the 9th meeting for reviewing the draft Whistleblower Protection Act submitted by the Ministry of Justice.
2020.6.19	The Ministry of Justice consulted the Judicial Yuan, Legal Affairs Committee of Executive Yuan and relevant agencies. about the draft Whistleblower Protection Act by letter of inquiry.
2020.8.10	The Ministry of Justice consulted the Judicial Yuan and Legal Affairs Committee of Executive Yuan about the draft Whistleblower Protection Act by letter of inquiry.
2020.9.22	The Ministry of Justice submitted the draft Whistleblower Protection Act (Version Applicable to both Public and Private Sectors, Version 9) to the Executive Yuan for deliberation.
2020.10.28	The Executive Yuan convened the first meeting for Open Government National Action Plan Taskforce. The Ministry of Justice made a commitment to promote the legislation on the Whistleblower Protection Act.
2020.11.16	The Ministry of Justice convened “The Promotion of the Legislation on the Whistleblower Protection Act” work groups meeting, and invited representatives of non-government organization, scholars and AAC to attend the meeting, and reached the conclusion on the evaluation indicators for scheduling, the enhancement of data transparency, the optimum use of tools for public participation and the improvement on the public understanding of the draft.
2020.12	“Whistleblower Protection ”web page was established on the official Chinese and English websites of the Agency Against Corruption.
2021.8.30	The Executive Yuan convened the fourth meeting for Open Government National Action Plan Taskforce, and the Ministry of Justice project reported the draft implementation progress and public participation situations.
2021.12.2	The Ministry of Justice submitted the draft Whistleblower Protection Act (Version Applicable to both Public and Private Sectors, Version 10) to the Executive Yuan for deliberation.
2022.1.4	The Executive Yuan convened the 10th meeting for reviewing the draft Whistleblower Protection Act submitted by the Ministry of Justice.
2022.1.25	The Ministry of Justice submitted the draft Whistleblower Protection Act (Version Applicable to both Public and Private Sectors, Version 11) to the Executive Yuan for deliberation.

2022.5	AAC updates the content of the “Whistleblower Protection ”web page.
2023.1.18	The Executive Yuan convened the eighth meeting for Open Government National Action Plan Taskforce, and the Ministry of Justice project reported the draft implementation progress and public participation situations.
2023.3.23	The Executive Yuan held the 26th Central Integrity Committee meeting and resolved to promote measures regarding implementing the Whistleblower Protection philosophy.
2023.4.13	The Ministry of Justice carries out the “Whistleblower Protection Philosophy Implementation Plan” based on the resolution of the 26th Central Integrity Committee meeting.
2023.6.1	The Ministry of Justice submitted the draft Whistleblower Protection Act (Version Applicable to both Public and Private Sectors, Version 12) to the Executive Yuan for deliberation.
2023.6.28	The Executive Yuan convened the 11th meeting for reviewing the draft Whistleblower Protection Act submitted by the Ministry of Justice.
2023.7.11	The Ministry of Justice submitted the draft Whistleblower Protection Act (Version Applicable to both Public and Private Sectors, Version 13) to the Executive Yuan for deliberation.
2023.7.14	The Ministry of Justice submitted the draft “Executive Yuan Whistleblower Protection Implementation Project” to the Executive Yuan for deliberation.
2023.7.27	The Executive Yuan convened the first meeting for reviewing the “Executive Yuan Whistleblower Protection Implementation Project” draft.
2023.8.24	The Executive Yuan convened the second meeting for reviewing the “Executive Yuan Whistleblower Protection Implementation Project” draft.
2023.11.1	The Executive Yuan approved the “Executive Yuan Whistleblower Protection Implementation Project” submitted by the Ministry of Justice.
2024.2.16	The Ministry of Justice submitted the draft Whistleblower Protection Act (Version 14) to the Executive Yuan for deliberation.
2024.2.23	The Executive Yuan convened the 12th meeting for reviewing the draft Whistleblower Protection Act submitted by the Ministry of Justice.
2024.3.4	The Ministry of Justice submitted the draft Whistleblower Protection Act (Version 15) to the Executive Yuan for deliberation.
2024.12.27	The Legislative Yuan approved the “Whistleblower Protection Act” on final reading.