Supply Bill (No.1) 1988–89

Date Introduced: 20 April 1988
House: House of Representatives

Digest of Bill

Purpose

To appropriate $8689.029 million from the consolidated Revenue Fund for the services of the Government during the period 1 July 1988 to 30 November 1988.

Background

The Supply Bill (No.1) 1988–89 together with the Supply Bill (No.2) 1988–89 and the Supply Bill (Parliamentary Departments) Bill 1988–89, provide interim appropriations for the period 1 July 1988 to 30 November 1988. It is anticipated that, by 30 November 1988, the Appropriation Bills, which are introduced on Budget night in August, would have been enacted. The amounts appropriated by the Supply Bills are later included in the Appropriation Bills for the financial year to which the expenditure relates.

Outline

The amount appropriated by this Bill represents an increase of $36.917 million, or approximately 0.4% over the amount for the 1987–88 Supply period. The increase is mainly due to new policies, price increases and fluctuations in the exchange rate.

Main Provisions

The Minister for Finance will be authorised to issue $8689.029 million from the Consolidated Revenue Fund for the purposes detailed in the Schedule to the Bill (clause 3).
The Schedule to the Bills sets out the appropriations to various Departments and the allocations within Departments. The largest amount, $3066.681 million, is being sought by the Department of Defence. The next highest amount sought is $858.811 million by the Department of Employment, Education and Training, most of which will go to special employment, education and income support. The third highest amount sought is $584.473 million by the Department of Community Services and Health.

Clause 4 will allow additional appropriations in respect of increases in salaries. In respect of the 1988-89 financial year the Minister for Finance may at anytime before 1 December 1988, issue funds from the Consolidated Revenue Fund to meet increases in salaries and wages from any law, order, award or determination which becomes payable after 20 April 1988.

For further information, if required, contact the Economic and Commerce Group.

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