Appropriation Bill (No. 3) 1986-87

Date Introduced: 25 March 1987
House: House of Representatives
Presented by: Hon. Chris Hurford, M.P., Minister Assisting the Treasurer

Digest of Bill

Purpose
To appropriate $290.498 million from the Consolidated Revenue Fund, in addition to the funds appropriated by the Appropriation Act (No. 1) 1986-87, to meet expenditure for the ordinary services of Government.

Background
This Bill, together with the Appropriation Bill (No. 4) 1986-87 (which seeks to appropriate $127.608 million) and the Appropriation (Parliamentary Departments) Bill (No. 2) 1986-87 (which seeks to appropriate $1.181 million), form the additional estimates for 1986-87. The total sought by the Bills is $419.287 million.

A recently issued Department of Finance Information Paper details expected savings, as at 17 March 1987, in appropriations under the Appropriation Act (No. 1) 1986-87 ($274.810 million); the Appropriation Act (No. 2) 1986-87 ($106.915 million) and the Appropriation (Parliamentary Departments) Act 1986-87 ($2.239 million), a total of $383.965 million.

Although a Department may be expecting savings this does not preclude that Department from seeking additional funds. This is generally due to savings in some programs and unforeseen expenditure in others. For example, the Department of Defence is expecting savings of $144.027 million under Appropriation Act (No. 1) 1986-87 (the largest saving being in equipment and stores) while seeking $68.554 million under this Bill (the largest request relating to buildings and works).

The largest sums sought under this Bill are by the Department of Defence ($68.544 million); the Department of Veterans' Affairs ($57.249 million) and the Department of Industry, Technology and Commerce ($38.153 million).
Main Provisions

The Minister for Finance may issue $290.498 million from the Consolidated Revenue Fund for the purposes set out in the Schedule to the Bill, for the year ending 30 June 1987 (clause 3).

The funds appropriated by this Bill will be deemed to have been appropriated from 1 July 1987 (clause 4).

The Bill will be subject to the Loans Act 1986 (clause 9).

References


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

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