Supplement (Parliamentary Departments) Bill 1984-85

Date Introduced: 1 May 1984
House: House of Representatives
Presented by: Hon. J.S. Dawkins, M.P., Minister for Finance

Short Digest of Bill

Purpose

To provide for the appropriation of $17,222,000 from the Consolidated Revenue Fund for expenditure by the Parliamentary Departments during 1 July 1984 to 30 November 1984.

Background

As a result of the report of the Senate Select Committee on Parliament's Appropriations and Staffing, tabled on 18 August 1981, the appropriations for Parliamentary Departments, for both capital and recurrent expenditure, are made by a separate Bill.

The Supply Bill (No. 1) 1984-85 together with the Supply Bill (No. 2) 1984-85 and the Supply (Parliamentary Departments) Bill 1984-85 provide interim appropriations for the period 1 July 1984 to 30 November 1984. It is expected that, by 30 November 1984, 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 expenditures relate.

Outline

The Bill seeks about $17.2 million for expenditure by the Parliamentary Departments. This represents an increase of about 22.9 per cent over the amount for the 1984-85 Supply period. The additional appropriation is required to cover increased staffing approvals and salary and other cost increases.
Main Provisions

By clause 3, the Minister for Finance may issue $17,222,000 from the Consolidated Revenue Fund for the purposes detailed in the Bill's Schedule for the 1984-85 financial year.

Clause 4 deals with additional appropriations in respect of increases in salaries. The Minister for Finance may, at any time before 1 December 1984, for the 1984-85 financial year, issue money from Consolidated Revenue, as determined by the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives, necessary to meet increases in salaries and wages arising from any law, award etc., which become payable after 1 May 1984.

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