Date Introduced: 8 May 1990
House: House of Representatives
Portfolio: Finance

Purpose
To appropriate $9,769,000 in addition to the amounts appropriated by the Appropriation (Parliamentary Departments) Act 1989–90 for the operation of the Parliamentary Departments during 1989–90.

Background
The Appropriation (Parliamentary Departments) Act 1989–90 appropriated $57.098 million for the operation of the Parliamentary Departments during the financial year which, when combined with the funds appropriated by the Supply (Parliamentary Departments) Act 1989–90, gave a total appropriation of $103,372,000. Except for approximately $2 million, these funds were used for recurrent, rather than capital, expenditure. The largest single allocation was to the Joint House Department, followed by the Parliamentary Library, the House of Representatives, the Senate and the Parliamentary Reporting Staff. In 1989–90, the Parliamentary Information Systems Office was transferred from the Parliamentary Library to the Parliamentary Reporting Staff and this is reflected in the allocation of resources for the 1990–91 financial year as shown in the Supply (Parliamentary Departments) Bill 1990–91.

Main Provisions
Clause 3 will authorise the Minister for Finance to issue $9,769,000 from the Consolidated Revenue Fund for the services specified in the Schedule to the Bill, while clause 4 will deem the amount to have been appropriated from 1 July 1999.

As detailed in the Schedule, the largest sum ($4.82 million) is for the Joint House Department, followed by $3.034 million for the Parliamentary Reporting Staff. No other allocation is above $1 million.

For further information, if required, contact the Economics and Commerce Group on 277 2460.

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