

APPROPRIATION (PARLIAMENT) BILL 2015

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Short title

The short title of the Bill is the Appropriation (Parliament) Bill 2015

Policy Objectives and the reasons for them

Section 27(b) of the *Financial Accountability Act 2009* provides that for each financial year, the Treasurer must present to the Legislative Assembly a Bill for a parliamentary Annual Appropriation Act for the financial year.

This Bill provides for:

- Appropriation for 2015-16 to fund the cost of providing the departmental services, administered items and equity adjustment of the Legislative Assembly and parliamentary service in that year; and
- Supply for 2016-17 to allow the normal operations of the Legislative Assembly and parliamentary service to continue until the Appropriation (Parliament) Bill for 2016-17 receives assent.

Legislative Provision

Consultation

Consultation has been undertaken with the Speaker in determining the appropriation payable to the Legislative Assembly and the parliamentary service.

Notes on provisions

Clause 1 provides for the short title of the Act.

Clause 2(1) provides that the amount of \$87,274,000 is appropriated for the 2015-16 financial year for the Legislative Assembly and parliamentary service for application to its departmental services, administered items and equity adjustment as set out in Schedule 1.

Clause 2(3) provides that the amount of \$87,274,000 includes the amount already authorised by the *Appropriation (Parliament) Act 2014*, section 3, to be paid for the financial year starting 1 July 2015.

Clause 3 provides that the amount of \$43,637,000 is authorised to be paid for the 2016-17 financial year for the Legislative Assembly and parliamentary service for the application to its departmental services, administered items and equity adjustment until the Appropriation (Parliament) Bill for 2016-17 receives assent.

Clause 4 repeals the *Appropriation (Parliament) Act 2013*, No. 33.

Schedule 1 to the Bill details the total amount appropriated for the Legislative Assembly and parliamentary service and the amounts for application to its departmental services, administered items and equity adjustment in 2015-16.