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PREFACE

The **2015-16 Interim Supply Estimates** reports the requirements for public monies from the General Revenue Fund to fund the operations of the Offices of the Legislative Assembly and the Government from April 1, 2015 to June 30, 2015, inclusive. By the end of this period, the Government anticipates the estimates and appropriations required for the full fiscal year commencing April 1, 2015 will have passed the Legislative Assembly and its committees, and received royal assent.

The amounts in these estimates address only those funding requirements for which the Government will need to obtain authority under an appropriation act for the full fiscal year commencing April 1, 2015. No statutory cash appropriations from the General Revenue Fund or other Funds are reported. No non-cash estimate amounts are reported.

The **Schedule of Interim Supply Amounts to be Voted** illustrates how the supply votes will be presented in the schedule to the *Appropriation (Interim Supply) Act, 2015* to be tabled in the Legislative Assembly.

Definitions of Supply Votes and Other Terms

For the purpose of the *2015-16 Interim Supply Estimates*, an **Estimate** is the amount requested by the government to meet its commitments for the fiscal period of April 1, 2015 to June 30, 2015.

An **Appropriation** is an authorization to withdraw and expend public money from the General Revenue Fund or another provincial fund or account. Following parliamentary tradition, the *Financial Administration Act* requires that all such authorities be provided in legislation passed by the Legislative Assembly. Appropriations may be created by an appropriation act or other statute. Appropriations under an appropriation act must be created pursuant to a supply vote, or a set of supply votes, as resolved by the Committee of Supply.

A **Supply Vote** is a discrete allocation that defines an amount of cash funding that may be drawn from the General Revenue Fund for a specified purpose within a definite period of time. Following the principle of ministerial accountability, supply votes are divided along departmental lines. Three general types of supply vote are used in the *2015-16 Interim Supply Estimates*: Expense, Capital Investment and Financial Transactions.

Expense amounts are cash disbursements for the purposes of salaries, supplies and services, operating grants, capital grants to parties outside the Consolidated Government reporting entity, as well as interest expense and other debt servicing costs for borrowing related to both capital and general government purposes.

Capital consists of cash disbursements for the purposes of investments by entities within the Consolidated Government reporting entity in tangible capital assets valued at \$5,000 or more. These amounts include any capital payments to related parties that will result in the creation of a tangible capital asset for that related party and the Consolidated Government as a whole.

Financial Transactions consist of cash disbursements for the purposes of payments for the reduction of a liability (including debt repayment), expenses to be recognized in a future year, the acquisition of financial assets, or the purchase of inventories. Financial liabilities for alternatively financed capital projects are reduced by payments from a Financial Transactions vote.

Lottery Fund Transfer is the transfer of lottery and gaming proceeds from the Lottery Fund to the General Revenue Fund.

SCHEDULE OF INTERIM SUPPLY AMOUNTS TO BE VOTED

VOTE	Estimate
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY	
SUPPORT TO THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY	\$ 20,460,000
OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL	\$ 6,670,000
OFFICE OF THE OMBUDSMAN	\$ 821,000
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER	\$ 28,000,000
OFFICE OF THE ETHICS COMMISSIONER	\$ 250,000
OFFICE OF THE INFORMATION AND PRIVACY COMMISSIONER	\$ 1,711,000
OFFICE OF THE CHILD AND YOUTH ADVOCATE	\$ 3,242,000
OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC INTEREST COMMISSIONER	\$ 313,000
Amounts to be voted under Section 1 of the Appropriation (Interim Supply) Act, 2015	\$ 61,467,000

GOVERNMENT

ABORIGINAL RELATIONS	
Expense	\$ 51,883,000
Capital Investment	6,000
Financial Transactions	19,268,000
AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT	
Expense	\$ 179,467,000
Capital Investment	940,000
CULTURE AND TOURISM	
Expense	\$ 73,535,000
Capital Investment	250,000
Financial Transactions	400,000
EDUCATION	
Expense	\$ 956,600,000
Capital Investment	128,900,000
Financial Transactions	5,300,000
ENERGY	
Expense	\$ 96,000,000
Capital Investment	1,500,000
Financial Transactions	33,641,000

SCHEDULE OF INTERIM SUPPLY AMOUNTS TO BE VOTED ... continued

VOTE	Estimate
GOVERNMENT	
ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABLE RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT	
Expense	\$ 167,557,000
Capital Investment	44,801,000
Financial Transactions	353,000
EXECUTIVE COUNCIL	
Expense	\$ 6,385,000
HEALTH	
Expense	\$ 4,690,537,000
Capital Investment	19,341,000
Financial Transactions	8,700,000
HUMAN SERVICES	
Expense	\$ 1,185,482,000
Capital Investment	1,721,000
Financial Transactions	170,000
INFRASTRUCTURE	
Expense	\$ 147,500,000
Capital Investment	153,000,000
Financial Transactions	4,900,000
INNOVATION AND ADVANCED EDUCATION	
Expense	\$ 815,725,000
Capital Investment	195,900,000
Financial Transactions	48,000,000
INTERNATIONAL AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS	
Expense	\$ 12,000,000
Capital Investment	6,000
JOBS, SKILLS, TRAINING AND LABOUR	
Expense	\$ 50,435,000
Capital Investment	300,000
JUSTICE AND SOLICITOR GENERAL	
Expense	\$ 431,071,000
Capital Investment	28,771,000

SCHEDULE OF INTERIM SUPPLY AMOUNTS TO BE VOTED ... continued

VOTE	Estimate
GOVERNMENT	
MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS	
Expense	\$ 1,185,555,000
Capital Investment	2,526,000
Financial Transactions	109,192,000
SENIORS	
Expense	\$ 181,693,000
Financial Transactions	2,375,000
SERVICE ALBERTA	
Expense	\$ 81,535,000
Capital Investment	10,685,000
Financial Transactions	2,500,000
TRANSPORTATION	
Expense	\$ 258,827,000
Capital Investment	729,462,000
Financial Transactions	19,531,000
TREASURY BOARD AND FINANCE	
Expense	\$ 42,704,000
Capital Investment	681,000
Financial Transactions	2,518,000
Transfer from the Lottery Fund	386,929,000
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Amounts for Expense to be voted under Section 2 of the Appropriation (Interim Supply) Act, 2015	\$ 10,614,491,000
Amounts for Capital Investment to be voted under Section 3 of the Appropriation (Interim Supply) Act, 2015	\$ 1,318,790,000
Amounts for Financial Transactions to be voted under Section 4 of the Appropriation (Interim Supply) Act, 2015	\$ 256,848,000
Amount of Transfer from the Lottery Fund to be voted under Section 5 of the Appropriation (Interim Supply) Act, 2015	\$ 386,929,000
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