

2011-12 Offices of the Legislative Assembly Estimates

General Revenue Fund

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PREFACE

Information Presented in this Volume

The 2011-12 Offices of the Legislative Assembly Estimates presents the budget plans for the Legislative Assembly and its Offices.

The **Schedule of Amounts to be Voted** shows the estimate amounts for the Legislative Assembly and each Office as presented in the *Appropriation Act*, 2011. The Legislative Assembly will be asked to appropriate these amounts from the General Revenue Fund to fund the spending of the Assembly and its Offices.

The **Expense and Capital Investment by Office** shows estimate and comparable historical amounts for total voted Expense and Capital Investment.

The **Amounts Not Required to be Voted by Office** shows estimate and comparable historical amounts for those amounts which require no appropriation authority because no cash disbursement is required to fund them.

Expense by Object for All Offices consists of the total salaries, supplies and services, grants, payments to Members of the Legislative Assembly and amortization of capital assets incurred by the Assembly and all of its Offices. As noted below, the amortization estimate is \$0 for the Support to the Legislative Assembly.

Full-Time Equivalent Employment is shown for the Legislative Assembly and each Office for 2011-12, as well as 2010-11.

Details of the Offices of the Legislative Assembly Estimates provide details on the estimates of the Assembly and each of its Offices. Each set of detailed estimates provides a statement of the Amount to be Voted, a description of Objective and Services, a statement of Voted Expense and Capital Investment by Program, a statement of Amounts Not Required to be Voted, a Statement of Operations, and a statement of Change in Capital Assets.

Basis of Presentation

As of April 1, 2011, estimates for both the Offices of the Legislative Assembly and the government have been redesigned to address unneeded duplication and help clarify the relationship between the estimates and the government's *Fiscal Plan*.

For the 2011-12 Offices of the Legislative Assembly Estimates, there are two design changes of note:

- 1. Amortization has been removed from the supply votes and is now reported as a Non-Cash Amount.
- 2. The supply votes have been restructured to make clear the difference between amounts voted to fund expense and amounts voted to fund capital investment. For the Legislative Assembly and its Offices, the supply votes continue to be a single vote.

As in past years, within the **2011-12 Offices of the Legislative Assembly Estimates** there are two presentation policies of note. The government and the Offices of the Legislative Assembly treat acquisitions of durable assets worth \$5,000 or more as capital investment. However, Support to the Legislative Assembly has a capitalization threshold of \$2,500. Second, the budget for Support to the Legislative Assembly does not include amortization expense, where each of the Offices' budgets includes an amortization estimate in non-cash expense.

SCHEDULE OF AMOUNTS TO BE VOTED

FICE and VOTE	Estimate
SUPPORT TO THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY	
Expense and Capital Investment\$	58,450,000
OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL	
Expense and Capital Investment\$	22,870,000
OFFICE OF THE OMBUDSMAN	
Expense and Capital Investment\$	2,885,000
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER	
Expense and Capital Investment\$	25,120,000
OFFICE OF THE ETHICS COMMISSIONER	
Expense and Capital Investment\$	885,000
OFFICE OF THE INFORMATION AND PRIVACY COMMISSIONER	
Expense and Capital Investment\$	5,709,000
Amount of Expense and Capital Investment to be voted under section 1(1) of the Appropriation Act, 2011\$	115,919,000

VOTED EXPENSE AND CAPITAL INVESTMENT BY OFFICE

(thousands of dollars)			Comparable		
	_	2009-10	2010-11	2010-11	2011-12
		Actual	Budget	Forecast	Estimate
EXPENSE					
Support to the Legislative Assembly		52,981	56,350	52,628	53,514
Office of the Auditor General		21,586	22,705	22,705	22,715
Office of the Ombudsman		2,730	2,885	2,725	2,885
Office of the Chief Electoral Officer		3,275	5,106	5,106	24,820
Office of the Ethics Commissioner		731	923	882	885
Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner		5,143	5,634	5,634	5,669
	Sub-total	86,446	93,603	89,680	110,488
CAPITAL INVESTMENT					
Support to the Legislative Assembly		1,183	2,100	2,690	4,936
Office of the Auditor General		559	150	155	155
Office of the Ombudsman		-	-	-	-
Office of the Chief Electoral Officer		256	300	300	300
Office of the Ethics Commissioner		26	-	-	-
Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner		76	75	75	40
	Sub-total	2,100	2,625	3,220	5,431
Total		88,546	96,228	92,900	115,919

AMOUNTS NOT REQUIRED TO BE VOTED BY OFFICE

(thousands of dollars)		Comparable		
	2009-10	2010-11	2010-11	2011-12
	Actual	Budget	Forecast	Estimate
EXPENSE				
Support to the Legislative Assembly	1,225	-	1,225	-
Office of the Auditor General	296	310	305	295
Office of the Ombudsman	15	3	3	3
Office of the Chief Electoral Officer	523	520	520	590
Office of the Ethics Commissioner	33	20	60	58
Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner	27	32	32	32
Total	2,119	885	2,145	978

EXPENSE BY OBJECT FOR ALL OFFICES

(thousands of dollars)	
	2011-12
	Estimate
Salaries, Wages and Employee Benefits	54,720
Supplies and Services	38,796
Grants to Others	7
Payments to Members of the Legislative Assembly	16,965
Amortization of Capital Assets	978
Total	111,466

FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT EMPLOYMENT

	Comparable	
	2010-11	2011-12
	Budget	Estimate
Support to the Legislative Assembly	325	325
Office of the Auditor General	134	134
Office of the Ombudsman	25	25
Office of the Chief Electoral Officer	16	16
Office of the Ethics Commissioner	4	4
Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner	38	38
Total	542	542



SUPPORT TO THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

THE HONOURABLE KEN KOWALSKI

Speaker of the Legislative Assembly

The Legislative Assembly is the parliament of Alberta, consisting of members who are elected by the people of Alberta. Through them, Albertans make provincial laws and provide money needed by the government for the present and future good of the people of the province. In keeping with the time-honoured tradition of parliamentary self-government, the Lieutenant Governor gives assent to the laws so made by Albertans.

AMOUNTS TO BE VOTED

(thousands of dollars)		Comparable		
	2009-10	2010-11	2010-11	2011-12
	Actual	Budget	Forecast	Estimate
EXPENSE and CAPITAL INVESTMENT	54,164	58,450	55,318	58,450

SUPPLEMENTARY FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Objective

To provide for the necessary administrative and financial support to the Legislative Assembly of Alberta.

Services Provided

Provides all services required for the operation of the Legislative Assembly including committees.

Provides for publication of *Alberta Hansard*, the Order Paper, Votes and Proceedings, and Bills.

Provides for public information, public education and visitor services programs.

Provides a library service to the Legislature, public service and general public.

Provides for expenses incurred in connection with inter-parliamentary relations activities.

Provides for payment of mailing, telephone and other communication expenses for Members of the Legislative Assembly.

Provides for expenses of Members' constituency and Legislature offices and the Legislative Assembly Office.

Provides for payment of indemnities, committee allowances, expense allowances and living expenses to Members of the Legislative Assembly as authorized by the *Legislative Assembly Act*.

Provides for payment of premiums for health and disability benefits for Members of the Legislative Assembly.

Provides information technology services, including broadcast of parliamentary proceedings, to support Members of the Legislative Assembly.

Provides for legal, procedural and security services to support Members of the Legislative Assembly.

Provides for transportation expenses of Members of the Legislative Assembly.

Provides for payment of transition allowances to former Members of the Legislative Assembly.

VOTED EXPENSE AND CAPITAL INVESTMENT BY PROGRAM

ands of dollars)		(Comparable		
·		2009-10	2010-11	2010-11	2011-12
		Actual	Budget	Forecast	Estimate
RAM EXPENSE					
Legislative Assembly Office Administration		17,338	19,911	17,516	19,204
Members of the Legislative Assembly Administration		29,595	29,762	28,368	27,887
Government Members' Services		2,986	3,669	3,645	3,602
Official Opposition Services		1,536	1,537	1,471	1,469
Wildrose Alliance Opposition Services		117	395	420	463
NDP Opposition Services		575	561	561	561
Independent Member's Services (Mr. Taylor, MLA)		-	-	159	164
Independent Member's Services (Dr. Sherman, MLA)		-	-	59	164
Independent Member's Services (Mr. Boutilier, MLA)		115	164	134	
Electoral Boundaries Commission		719	351	295	
	Sub-total	52,981	56,350	52,628	53,514
AL INVESTMENT					
Legislative Assembly Office Administration		1,111	1,500	2,590	2,047
Members of the Legislative Assembly Administration		44	600	100	2,631
Official Opposition Services		9	-	-	•
Electoral Boundaries Commission		19	-	-	
Federal Building Redevelopment Project		-	-	-	258
	Sub-total	1,183	2,100	2,690	4,936
		54,164	58,450	55,318	58,450
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NON-CASH EXPENSE				
Amortization of Capital Assets	1,042	-	1,042	-
Vacation Pay Accrual and Other Provisions	183	-	183	-
Total	1,225	-	1,225	-

SUPPORT TO THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

(thousands of dollars)	575 563 486 576 564 487 Assembly 54,206 56,350 53,853 54,206 56,350 53,853 (53,630) (55,786) (53,366) ETS 1,183 2,100 2,690 Assets (1,042) - (1,042)			
	2009-10	2010-11	2010-11	2011-12
	Actual	Budget	Forecast	Estimate
REVENUE				
Premiums, Fees and Licences	1	1	1	1
Other Revenue	575	563	486	555
Total Revenue	576	564	487	556
EXPENSE				
Program				
Support to the Legislative Assembly	54,206	56,350	53,853	53,514
Total Expense	54,206	56,350	53,853	53,514
Net Operating Result	(53,630)	(55,786)	(53,366)	(52,958)
CHANGE IN CAPITAL ASSETS				
Capital Investment	1,183	2,100	2,690	4,936
Less: Amortization of Capital Assets	(1,042)	-	(1,042)	-
Increase (Decrease) in Capital Assets	141	2,100	1,648	4,936



OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL

MERWAN N. SAHER

Auditor General

The mission of the Office of the Auditor General is to serve Albertans by conducting comprehensive risk-based audits that provide independent assessments to help the Legislative Assembly hold government accountable.

AMOUNTS TO BE VOTED

(thousands of dollars)		Comparable		
	2009-10	2010-11	2010-11	2011-12
	Actual	Budget	Forecast	Estimate
EXPENSE and CAPITAL INVESTMENT	22,145	22,855	22,860	22,870

SUPPLEMENTARY FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Vision

Adding value through expert auditing.

Objective

To serve the Legislative Assembly and Albertans by examining and reporting publicly on government's management of, and accountability practices for, the public resources entrusted to it. Under the *Auditor General Act*, the Auditor General is the auditor of all government ministries, departments, funds and Provincial agencies.

To be successful, the Office must both be, and be seen to be, independent and accountable.

Services Provided

The Office's core business is legislative auditing done through six types of interrelated but separately distinguishable work:

- 1. **Financial statements** providing assurance on the quality of the recurring financial reporting to the Legislative Assembly of 200 entities, including the government's consolidated financial statements.
- 2. Compliance with authorities identifying and reporting publicly if there has been non-compliances with the law.
- 3. **Performance measures** reporting on the reliability, understandability, comparability, and completeness of selected performance measures.
- 4. **Results analysis** developing a methodology that will allow the Office to provide observations on management's analysis of performance.

5. **Systems**

- **Stand-alone audits** answering the question for major programs or initiatives, "Does the organization have the systems to accomplish its goals, including procedures to measure and report on effectiveness."
- **By-products of other audits** recommending how to improve governance and accountability, internal control over financial management, information technology, or performance reporting.
- Research and advice researching to understand issues or to identify best practices. At the request of an organization of
 which the Office is the auditor, or a Committee of the Assembly, the Office may provide advice on a proposed course of
 action or a matter being studied.

VOTED EXPENSE AND CAPITAL INVESTMENT BY PROGRAM

(thous	sands of dollars)		Comparable		
		2009-10 2010-11 2010-1	2010-11	2011-12	
		Actual	Budget	Forecast	Estimate
PROG	GRAM EXPENSE				
1	Office of the Auditor General	21,586	22,705	22,705	22,715
CAPIT	TAL INVESTMENT				
1	Office of the Auditor General	559	150	155	155
Total		22,145	22,855	22,860	22,870
	AMOUNTS N	OT REQUIRED TO BE VOTE)		
NON-	CASH EXPENSE				
	Amortization of Capital Assets	296	310	305	295

OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

(thousands of dollars)	(Comparable		2011-12
	2009-10 Actual	2010-11	2010-11	
		Budget	Forecast	Estimate
REVENUE				
Audit Services to Non-Government Organizations	2,412	2,310	2,305	2,300
Total Revenue	2,412	2,310	2,305	2,300
EXPENSE				
Program				
Office of the Auditor General	21,882	23,015	23,010	23,010
Total Expense	21,882	23,015	23,010	23,010
Net Operating Result	(19,470)	(20,705)	(20,705)	(20,710)
CHANGE IN CAPITAL ASSETS				
Capital Investment	559	150	155	155
Less: Amortization of Capital Assets	(296)	(310)	(305)	(295)
Increase (Decrease) in Capital Assets	263	(160)	(150)	(140)



OFFICE OF THE OMBUDSMAN

G.B. (Gord) BUTTONOmbudsman

The Office of the Ombudsman promotes fairness in administrative actions of Alberta government departments, agencies, boards, commissions, designated professional organizations and the patient concerns resolution process of Alberta Health Services.

AMOUNTS TO BE VOTED

(thousands of dollars)	Comparable			
	2009-10	2010-11	2010-11	2011-12
	Actual	Budget	Forecast	Estimate
EXPENSE and CAPITAL INVESTMENT	2,730	2,885	2,725	2,885

SUPPLEMENTARY FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Objective

To conduct professional, independent and impartial investigations into complaints from people who believe that they have been treated unfairly through the administrative actions or decisions of Alberta government departments, agencies, boards, commissions, designated professional organizations and the patient concerns resolution process of Alberta Health Services.

To recommend corrective actions if a complaint is supported.

Services Provided

Initiates investigations, in response to written letters of complaint, into administrative matters which fall within the Ombudsman's authority to investigate as determined by the *Ombudsman Act*.

Provides a referral and information service to direct people to the appropriate contact, department or other complaint mechanism for complaints both within and outside government.

Conducts "own motion" investigations - this refers to instances where the Ombudsman, on his own initiative, decides to investigate an administrative issue within his jurisdiction.

Investigates administrative matters in response to ministerial requests or referrals from a committee of the Legislative Assembly.

VOTED EXPENSE AND CAPITAL INVESTMENT BY PROGRAM

(thousands of dollars)		Comparable			
	2009-10	2010-11	2010-11	2011-12	
	Actual	Budget	Forecast	Estimate	
PROGRAM EXPENSE					
1 Office of the Ombudsman	2,730	2,885	2,725	2,885	
CAPITAL INVESTMENT					
1 Office of the Ombudsman	-	-	-	-	
Total	2,730	2,885	2,725	2,885	
AMOUNTS NOT R	EQUIRED TO BE VOTE	D			
NON-CASH EXPENSE					
Amortization of Capital Assets	15	3	3	3	

OFFICE OF THE OMBUDSMAN

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

(thousands of dollars)	(Comparable		
	2009-10	2010-11	2010-11	2011-12
	Actual	Budget	Forecast	Estimate
REVENUE				
Other Revenue	1	-	-	-
Total Revenue	1	-	-	-
EXPENSE				
Program				
Office of the Ombudsman	2,745	2,888	2,728	2,888
Total Expense	2,745	2,888	2,728	2,888
Net Operating Result	(2,744)	(2,888)	(2,728)	(2,888)
CHANGE IN CAPITAL ASSETS				
Capital Investment	-	-	-	-
Less: Amortization of Capital Assets	(15)	(3)	(3)	(3)
Increase (Decrease) in Capital Assets	(15)	(3)	(3)	(3)



OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER

O. BRIAN FJELDHEIM Chief Electoral Officer

The Office of the Chief Electoral Officer provides administrative, logistic and financial support for the register of electors, general elections and by-elections, and plebiscites in support of the *Election Act* and the *Senatorial Selection Act*. The Chief Electoral Officer monitors and records the financial activities of registered parties, constituency associations and candidates to ensure compliance with the *Election Finances and Contributions Disclosure Act*.

AMOUNTS TO BE VOTED

(thousands of dollars)	Comparable			
	2009-10	2010-11	2010-11	2011-12
	Actual	Budget	Forecast	Estimate
EXPENSE and CAPITAL INVESTMENT	3,531	5,406	5,406	25,120

SUPPLEMENTARY FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Objective

To provide administrative, logistic and financial support for the register of electors, general elections and by-elections, and plebiscites in support of the *Election Act* and the *Senatorial Selection Act*. To monitor and record the financial activities of registered parties, constituency associations and candidates to ensure compliance with the *Election Finances and Contributions Disclosure Act*.

Services Provided

Provides for the register of electors, elections, by-elections and plebiscites and for communication and liaison with the executive of registered parties, constituency associations, candidates and their campaign officials, and the general public pertaining to the established policies and procedures of the relevant Acts.

VOTED EXPENSE AND CAPITAL INVESTMENT BY PROGRAM

(thou	sands of dollars)		Comparable			
			2009-10	2010-11	2010-11	2011-12
			Actual	Budget	Forecast	Estimate
PRO	GRAM EXPENSE					
1	Corporate Services		3,089	3,666	3,666	3,596
2	Elections		186	1,440	1,440	21,224
		Sub-total	3,275	5,106	5,106	24,820
CAPI	TAL INVESTMENT					
1	Corporate Services		256	300	300	300
Total			3,531	5,406	5,406	25,120
	AM	OUNTS NOT REQUIRED TO	BE VOTE)		
NON-	-CASH EXPENSE					
	Amortization of Capital Assets		523	520	520	590

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

(thousands of dollars)	(Comparable		
	2009-10	2010-11	2010-11	2011-12
	Actual	Budget	Forecast	Estimate
REVENUE				
Other Revenue	21	-	-	-
Total Revenue	21	-	-	-
EXPENSE				
Program				
Office of the Chief Electoral Officer	3,798	5,626	5,626	25,410
Total Expense	3,798	5,626	5,626	25,410
Net Operating Result	(3,777)	(5,626)	(5,626)	(25,410)
CHANGE IN CAPITAL ASSETS				
Capital Investment	256	300	300	300
Less: Amortization of Capital Assets	(523)	(520)	(520)	(590)
Increase (Decrease) in Capital Assets	(267)	(220)	(220)	(290



OFFICE OF THE ETHICS COMMISSIONER

NEIL R. WILKINSON Ethics Commissioner

The Office of the Ethics Commissioner is responsible for administering the *Conflicts of Interest Act* and the lobbyists registry under the *Lobbyists Act*. The Office also has responsibility for administering the Financial Disclosure and Conflict of Interest directive for designated senior officials.

AMOUNTS TO BE VOTED

(thousands of dollars)		Comparable		
	2009-10	2010-11	2010-11	2011-12
	Actual	Budget	Forecast	Estimate
EXPENSE and CAPITAL INVESTMENT	757	923	882	885

SUPPLEMENTARY FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Objective

To provide elected Members of the Legislative Assembly and senior officials of the government with advice and recommendations regarding their private interests in relation to their public responsibilities and to provide an impartial investigation of allegations of conflict of interest from the public and from elected Members.

To create and maintain a publicly accessible lobbyists registry and to investigate alleged breaches of the Lobbyists Act.

Services Provided

Promotes the understanding by Members of the Legislative Assembly of their obligations under the *Conflicts of Interest Act*, by senior officials of their obligations under the directive issued by the Minister of Justice and Attorney General, and by the public of conflict of interest obligations of Members of the Legislative Assembly and senior officials.

Obtains information from Members of the Legislative Assembly and senior government officials regarding their income, assets, liabilities, and financial interests and prepares public disclosure statements for Members of the Legislative Assembly.

Investigates complaints received from the public or from an elected Member respecting an alleged breach of the *Conflicts of Interest Act* by a Member of the Legislative Assembly.

Provides advice and recommendations on matters respecting obligations of the Members of the Legislative Assembly under the *Conflicts of Interest Act*, and of senior officials pursuant to the directive of the Minister of Justice and Attorney General.

Maintains a publicly accessible lobbyists registry and provides advice and information to lobbyists and citizens on matters covered by the *Lobbyists Act*.

Conducts investigations into possible contraventions of the Lobbyists Act and may require payment of an administrative penalty.

VOTED EXPENSE AND CAPITAL INVESTMENT BY PROGRAM

(thousands of dolla	ars)				
		2009-10	2010-11	2010-11	2011-12
		Actual	Budget	Forecast	Estimate
PROGRAM EXPE	NSE				
1 Office of th	e Ethics Commissioner	731	923	882	885
CAPITAL INVEST	MENT				
1 Office of th	e Ethics Commissioner	26	-	-	-
Total		757	923	882	885
	AMOUNTS NOT	REQUIRED TO BE VOTE)		
NON-CASH EXPE	INSE				
Amortization	on of Capital Assets	33	20	60	58

OFFICE OF THE ETHICS COMMISSIONER

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

(thousands of dollars)	(Comparable			
	2009-10	2010-11	2010-11	2011-12	
	Actual	Budget	Forecast	Estimate	
REVENUE					
Other Revenue	8	-	-	-	
Total Revenue	8	-	-	-	
EXPENSE					
Program					
Office of the Ethics Commissioner	764	943	942	943	
Total Expense	764	943	942	943	
Net Operating Result	(756)	(943)	(942)	(943)	
CHANGE IN CAPITAL ASSETS					
Capital Investment	26	-	-	-	
Less: Amortization of Capital Assets	(33)	(20)	(60)	(58)	
Increase (Decrease) in Capital Assets	(7)	(20)	(60)	(58)	



OFFICE OF THE INFORMATION AND PRIVACY COMMISSIONER

FRANK J. WORK, Q.C. Information and Privacy Commissioner

The Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner is responsible for overseeing the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, the *Health Information Act*, and the *Personal Information Protection Act*.

AMOUNTS TO BE VOTED

(thousands of dollars)	Comparable			
	2009-10	2010-11	2010-11	2011-12
	Actual	Budget	Forecast	Estimate
EXPENSE and CAPITAL INVESTMENT	5,219	5,709	5,709	5,709

SUPPLEMENTARY FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Objective

The Legislature enacted three Acts to govern access to information and protection of privacy in Alberta:

The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act ("the FOIP Act") for public bodies;

The Health Information Act (HIA) for custodians; and

The Personal Information Protection Act (PIPA) for private sector organizations.

The Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner (OIPC) oversees the administration of the FOIP Act, HIA and PIPA by public bodies, custodians and organizations. The OIPC ensures legislative compliance and provides independent review of decisions made by public bodies, custodians and organizations and the resolution of complaints.

Services Provided

Monitor administration of the Acts for legislative compliance.

Review decisions of public bodies, custodians and organizations in relation to access to information requests or collection, use and disclosure of personal/health information. Mediate/investigate in response to requests for review or complaints. Conduct inquiries and issues orders and decisions.

Conduct investigations on own motion.

Promote openness and accountability for public bodies.

Review and comment on proposed legislative schemes, programs and initiatives in relation to access to information and protection of privacy issues.

Inform the public about the Acts.

VOTED EXPENSE AND CAPITAL INVESTMENT BY PROGRAM

(thousands of dollars)	(Comparable			
	2009-10	2010-11	2010-11	2011-12	
	Actual	Budget	Forecast	Estimate	
PROGRAM EXPENSE					
1 Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner	5,143	5,634	5,634	5,669	
CAPITAL INVESTMENT					
1 Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner	76	75	75	40	
Total	5,219	5,709	5,709	5,709	
AMOUNTS NOT REQUIR	ED TO BE VOTE)			
NON-CASH EXPENSE					
Amortization of Capital Assets	27	32	32	32	

OFFICE OF THE INFORMATION AND PRIVACY COMMISSIONER

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

(thousands of dollars)	Comparable			
	2009-10 Actual	2010-11 Budget	2010-11 Forecast	2011-12 Estimate
Other Revenue	4	-	-	-
Total Revenue	4	-	-	-
EXPENSE				
Program				
Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner	5,170	5,666	5,666	5,701
Total Expense	5,170	5,666	5,666	5,701
Net Operating Result	(5,166)	(5,666)	(5,666)	(5,701)
CHANGE IN CAPITAL ASSETS				
Capital Investment	76	75	75	40
Less: Amortization of Capital Assets	(27)	(32)	(32)	(32)
Increase (Decrease) in Capital Assets	49	43	43	8