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Appendix B – Proposed sessional orders

Procedures for Main Appropriation Bill

182A Second reading (Budget debate)

On the motion for the second reading of the Main Appropriation Bill, and Appropriation or Supply Bills for the ordinary annual services of government, public affairs may be debated, in accordance with *standing order 76(c) (exceptions to confining debate to the question).*

182B Consideration in detail

During the consideration in detail stage of the Main Appropriation Bill, and Appropriation or Supply Bills for the ordinary annual services of government, the following rules apply:

(a) The schedules of services for which an appropriation is to be made shall be considered before the clauses. Proposed expenditures in a schedule shall be considered in the order in which they appear unless the House otherwise orders, in accordance with *standing order 149 (order in considering bill).*

(b) The question on each item of expenditure shall be –

That the proposed expenditure be agreed to.

Members may ask Ministers for information about the expenditure being considered. Questions and debate must be relevant to the expenditure being considered, and may refer to departmental activity and government policy relating to the expenditure, and related expenditure in other appropriation bills.