# Chapter 13. Financial proposals

#### Chapter outline

This chapter sets out:

- special measures for appropriation and taxation proposals, and
- procedures for Governor-General's messages recommending appropriation.

## Proposals for appropriation and taxation

#### 178 Notice not required for certain bills or proposals

A Minister may present without notice an Appropriation or Supply Bill or a bill or proposal dealing with taxation.

#### 179 Taxation proposals initiated by Minister

- (a) Only a Minister may initiate a proposal to impose, increase, or decrease a tax or duty, or change the scope of any charge.
- (b) Only a Minister may move an amendment to the proposal which increases or extends the scope of the charge proposed beyond the total already existing under any Act of Parliament.
- (c) A Member who is not a Minister may move an amendment to the proposal which does not increase or extend the scope of the charge proposed beyond the total already existing under any Act of Parliament.

# Messages recommending appropriation

## 180 Appropriations recommended by Governor-General

- (a) All proposals for the appropriation of revenue or moneys require a message to the House from the Governor-General recommending the purpose of the appropriation in accordance with section 56 of the Constitution.
- (b) For an Appropriation or Supply Bill, the message must be announced before the bill is introduced.
- (c) For other bills appropriating revenue or moneys, a Minister may introduce the bill and the bill may be proceeded with before the message is announced and *standing order 147 (message recommending appropriation)* applies.

(d) A further message must be received before any amendment can be moved which would increase, or extend the objects and purposes or alter the destination of, a recommended appropriation.

## 181 Message for Senate amendments and requests

Any message from the Governor-General recommending an appropriation in relation to a Senate amendment or request for amendment to a House bill, must be announced before the House proceeds to consider the amendment or request.

#### 182 Governor-General's messages announced

The Speaker or Deputy Speaker shall announce all messages from the Governor-General in the House or the Federation Chamber, as appropriate, but not during a debate or so as to interrupt a Member speaking.