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SUPPLY BILL (NO. 1) 1986-87

Date introduced: 1 May 1986
House: House of Representatives
Presented by: Hon. John Brown, M.P.,
Minister for Sport, Recreation
and Tourism

DIGEST OF BILL

Purpose

To appropriate $7,996.752 million from the Consolidated Revenue Fund for the services of the Government during the period 1 July 1986 to 30 November 1986.

Background

The Supply Bill (No. 1) 1986-87 together with the Supply Bill (No. 2) 1986-87 and the Supply (Parliamentary Departments) Bill 1986-87 provide interim appropriations for the period 1 July 1986 to 30 November 1986. It is expected that, by 30 November 1986, the Appropriation Bills, which are introduced on Budget night in August, would have been enacted. The amounts appropriated by the Supply Bills are later included in the Appropriation Bills for the financial year to which the expenditures relate.

Outline

The Bill provides for the appropriation of $7,996.752 million, which represents an 11.2 per cent increase over the amount for the 1985-86 Supply period. A large part of the increase reflects staffing approvals, salary and other cost increases.

Main Provisions

The Minister for Finance will be able to issue $7,996.752 million from the Consolidated Revenue Fund for the purposes detailed in the Schedule to the Bill (clause 3).
The Schedule of the Bill sets out the appropriations to Government Departments as well as the allocation to various categories within those Departments. The largest amount, $2,705,925 million, is being sought by the Department of Defence. Of this total, $1,040,893 million is for new equipment and stores or the replacement, repair and overhaul of existing equipment and stores. The next highest amount, $452,882 million, is allocated to the Department of Foreign Affairs. Of this amount, $350,858 million is allocated to the Australian Development Assistance Bureau.

Clause 4 will allow additional appropriations in respect of increases in salaries. The Minister for Finance may, at any time before 1 December 1986, for the 1986-87 financial year, issue money from Consolidated Revenue, necessary to meet increases in salaries and wages arising from any law, award, order or determination, which becomes payable after 1 May 1986.

For further information, if required, contact the Economics and Commerce Group.

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