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## PREFACE

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The **2015-16 Interim Supply Estimates No. 2** 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 July 1, 2015 to November 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* (No. 2) to be tabled in the Legislative Assembly.

### **Definitions of Supply Votes and Other Terms**

For the purpose of the *2015-16 Interim Supply Estimates No. 2*, an **Estimate** is the amount requested by the government to meet its commitments for the fiscal period of July 1, 2015 to November 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. Although this transfer is not a supply vote, section 25(4) of the *Liquor and Gaming Act* requires that any payment or transfer from the Lottery Fund be authorized by an appropriation act.

### **Presentation and Government Organization Methodology**

The *2015-16 Interim Supply Estimates No. 2* reflect the organization of government and the Province's budget presentation methodology as of July 1, 2015. On May 25, 2015, the Lieutenant Governor in Council passed a *Designation and Transfer of Responsibility Amendment Regulation* under the *Government Organization Act* which modified the amounts and authorities provided by the 2015-16 Interim Supply tabled in the assembly on March 16, 2015. In addition to modifying the names of certain departments, the May 25 regulation moved \$42,432,000 in expense, \$2,329,000 in capital investment and \$328,000 in financial transactions in funding authority provided by the *Appropriation (Interim Supply) Act, 2015* from the former Ministry of Environment and Sustainable Resource Development to the new ministry of Agriculture and Forestry.





SCHEDULE OF INTERIM SUPPLY AMOUNTS TO BE VOTED

VOTE	Estimate
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY	
SUPPORT TO THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY	\$ 33,000,000
OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL	\$ 11,000,000
OFFICE OF THE OMBUDSMAN	\$ 1,400,000
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER	\$ 1,000,000
OFFICE OF THE ETHICS COMMISSIONER	\$ 425,000
OFFICE OF THE INFORMATION AND PRIVACY COMMISSIONER	\$ 2,852,000
OFFICE OF THE CHILD AND YOUTH ADVOCATE	\$ 5,632,000
OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC INTEREST COMMISSIONER	\$ 525,000
Amounts to be voted under Section 1 of the Appropriation (Interim Supply) Act, 2015 (No. 2)	\$ 55,834,000

GOVERNMENT

ABORIGINAL RELATIONS		
Expense	\$	84,800,000
Capital Investment		10,000
Financial Transactions		32,115,000
AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY		
Expense	\$	336,121,000
Capital Investment	\$	9,804,000
Financial Transactions		982,000
CULTURE AND TOURISM		
Expense	\$	174,910,000
Capital Investment		2,092,000
Financial Transactions		3,610,000
EDUCATION		
Expense	\$	1,988,400,000
Capital Investment		671,100,000
Financial Transactions		7,687,000
ENERGY		
Expense	\$	160,000,000
Capital Investment		2,500,000

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

VOTE	Estimate
<b>GOVERNMENT</b>	
<b>ENVIRONMENT AND PARKS</b>	
Expense	\$ 256,378,000
Capital Investment	111,046,000
Financial Transactions	41,000
<b>EXECUTIVE COUNCIL</b>	
Expense	\$ 9,475,000
<b>HEALTH</b>	
Expense	\$ 7,746,317,000
Capital Investment	32,494,000
Financial Transactions	27,700,000
<b>HUMAN SERVICES</b>	
Expense	\$ 1,803,518,000
Capital Investment	2,279,000
Financial Transactions	305,000
<b>INFRASTRUCTURE</b>	
Expense	\$ 228,500,000
Capital Investment	440,000,000
Financial Transactions	28,100,000
<b>INNOVATION AND ADVANCED EDUCATION</b>	
Expense	\$ 1,203,669,000
Capital Investment	21,440,000
Financial Transactions	437,000,000
<b>INTERNATIONAL AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS</b>	
Expense	\$ 14,680,000
Capital Investment	10,000
<b>JOBS, SKILLS, TRAINING AND LABOUR</b>	
Expense	\$ 74,469,000
Capital Investment	500,000
<b>JUSTICE AND SOLICITOR GENERAL</b>	
Expense	\$ 473,905,000
Capital Investment	25,960,000

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

VOTE	Estimate
<b>GOVERNMENT</b>	
<b>MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS</b>	
Expense	\$ 105,402,000
Capital Investment	4,246,000
Financial Transactions	173,704,000
<b>SENIORS</b>	
Expense	\$ 263,096,000
Financial Transactions	10,211,000
<b>SERVICE ALBERTA</b>	
Expense	\$ 116,916,000
Capital Investment	12,268,000
Financial Transactions	6,379,000
<b>TRANSPORTATION</b>	
Expense	\$ 339,712,000
Capital Investment	641,462,000
Financial Transactions	32,552,000
<b>TREASURY BOARD AND FINANCE</b>	
Expense	\$ 62,840,000
Capital Investment	1,135,000
Financial Transactions	4,197,000
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 (No. 2)	\$ 15,443,108,000
Amounts for Capital Investment to be voted under Section 3 of the Appropriation (Interim Supply) Act, 2015 (No. 2)	\$ 1,978,346,000
Amounts for Financial Transactions to be voted under Section 4 of the Appropriation (Interim Supply) Act, 2015 (No. 2)	\$ 764,583,000
Amount of Transfer from the Lottery Fund to be voted under Section 5 of the Appropriation (Interim Supply) Act, 2015 (No. 2)	\$ 386,929,000
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