

APPROPRIATION (RECURRENT 2010–11 TO 2013–14) SUPPLEMENTARY BILL 2014

Introduction and First Reading

Bill introduced, on motion by **Dr M.D. Nahan (Treasurer)**, and read a first time.

Explanatory memorandum presented by the Treasurer.

Second Reading

DR M.D. NAHAN (Riverton — Treasurer) [11.50 am]: I move —

That the bill be now read a second time.

This bill seeks to appropriate out of the consolidated account the sum of \$1 436 651 261 for recurrent payments made during the financial years ended 30 June 2011, 30 June 2012, 30 June 2013 and 30 June 2014 for the purposes and services detailed in schedules 1 to 4 of the bill. These payments, of an extraordinary and unforeseen nature, were made under the authority of the Financial Management Act 2006. The payments were charged to the consolidated account under the authority of section 27 of the Financial Management Act 2006 and reflect excess expenditures against appropriations; expenditures for which there were no appropriations during the year.

In 2010–11, recurrent appropriations amounted to \$17 844.7 million; a net increase of \$267.2 million from the 2010–11 budget estimate of \$17 577.5 million. The unforeseen appropriation of \$486.3 million sought in this bill was offset by underspending of \$251.2 million against other votes, and overspending of \$32.1 million authorised by other statutes.

In 2011–12, recurrent appropriations amounted to \$19 797.9 million; a net decrease of \$26.4 million from the 2011–12 budget estimate of \$19 824.3 million. The unforeseen appropriation of \$324 million sought in this bill was offset by underspending of \$282.4 million against other votes, and underspending of \$68 million authorised by other statutes.

In 2012–13, recurrent appropriations amounted to \$18 986.1 million; a net increase of \$71.9 million from the 2012–13 budget estimate of \$18 914.2 million. The unforeseen appropriation of \$329.7 million sought in this bill was offset by underspending of \$275.2 million against other votes, and overspending of \$17.5 million authorised by other statutes.

In 2013–14, recurrent appropriations amounted to \$20 639.9 million; a net increase of \$161.6 million from the 2013–14 budget estimate of \$20 478.3 million. The unforeseen appropriation of \$296.7 million sought in this bill was offset by underspending of \$173.5 million against other votes, and overspending of \$38.4 million authorised by other statutes.

As underspending against other votes cannot be netted against excesses or new items approved under the Financial Management Act 2006, parliamentary authorisation is required for each vote where expenditure exceeds appropriation, or for a new item. I commend the bill to the house

Debate adjourned, on motion by **Mr D.A. Templeman**.