

**APPROPRIATION (CONSOLIDATED ACCOUNT) CAPITAL 2010–11
(SUPPLEMENTARY) BILL 2011**

Introduction and First Reading

Bill introduced, on motion by **Mr C.C. Porter (Treasurer)**, and read a first time.

Explanatory memorandum presented by the Treasurer.

Second Reading

MR C.C. PORTER (Bateman — Treasurer) [11.04 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 \$15 515 000 for capital payments made during the financial year ended 30 June 2011 for the purposes detailed in schedule 1 of the bill. These payments, which were of an extraordinary and unforeseen nature, were made under 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 and expenditures for which there were no appropriations during that year.

In 2010–11 capital appropriations amounted to \$2 578 200 000, a net decrease of \$750 100 000 from the 2010–11 budget estimate of \$3 328 300 000. The unforeseen appropriation of \$15 500 000 sought in this bill was offset by underspending of \$765 600 000 against other votes. 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 when expenditure has exceeded appropriation or when there has been expenditure for a new item.

I commend the bill to the house.

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