

## EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

### APPROPRIATION (CONSOLIDATED FUND) BILL (NO. 3) 2005

#### PURPOSE OF BILL

This Bill is largely a machinery Bill and reflects recurrent expenditure excesses for new items created during 2002/03, 2003/04 and 2004/05, and expenditure overruns as a result of policy decisions or unavoidable cost increases against existing items during the course of 2002/03, 2003/04 and 2004/05.

- Schedule 1 of the Bill identifies expenditure excesses approved for each item in 2002/03 amounting to \$159,187,516.82;
- Schedule 2 of the Bill identifies expenditure excesses approved for each item in 2003/04 amounting to \$146,527,783.50; and
- Schedule 3 of the Bill identifies expenditure excesses approved for each item in 2004/05 amounting to \$492,858,461.52.

The expenditures are charged to the Consolidated Fund in the year in which they are paid in accordance with section 5 of the annual *Treasurer's Advance Authorisation Act* (ie: 2002, 2003 and 2004), and section 8 of the *Financial Administration and Audit Act 1985*.