Explanatory note

This explanatory note relates to this Bill as introduced into Parliament.

The following Bills are cognate with this Bill:

- Appropriation (Parliament) Bill 2010
- Appropriation (Special Offices) Bill 2010
- State Revenue Legislation Amendment Bill 2010

Overview of Bill

The object of this Bill is to appropriate various sums of money required for the recurrent services and capital works and services of the Government during the 2010–2011 financial year.

The Bill relates to appropriations from the Consolidated Fund—the principal account of the Government for General Government transactions. The Consolidated Fund could be considered as the "public purse" and largely comprises receipts from, and payments out of, taxes, fines, some regulatory fees, Commonwealth grants and income from Crown assets.

The Bill for the 2010–2011 year contains an additional appropriation, which allocates revenue raised in connection with changes to gaming machine taxes to the Minister for Health for spending on health related services.

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Outline of provisions

Part 1 (clauses 1–4) provides for the name of the proposed Act (also referred to as the short title), commencement on 1 July 2010, and interpretation of references to the financial year to which the proposed Act relates. Clause 4 is an interpretive provision relating to net cost of services and capital expenditure information included in the proposed Act.

Part 2 (clauses 5–42) provides for the appropriations for the financial year of 2010–2011. The amounts appropriated for the 2010–2011 financial year are:

- (a) \$49,388,052,000 for recurrent services, and
- (b) \$3,670,539,000 for capital works and services.

Part 3 (clauses 43 and 44) makes an additional appropriation of \$264,000,000 to the Minister for Health, with this being part of the revenue raised from gaming machine taxes.

Part 4 (clauses 45–48) provides for general matters related to the appropriations set out in the proposed Act.

Clause 45 enables the Treasurer to authorise payment for a purpose, in excess of the sum appropriated for the purpose, in specified circumstances. Clause 46 allows this function to be delegated by the Treasurer.

Clause 47 allows the Treasurer to apply an appropriation differently in the event that responsibility for a service or function is transferred.

Clause 48 allows a Minister to table a Budget Paper in the Legislative Assembly by presenting it to the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, if the Legislative Assembly is not sitting when the Budget Paper is sought to be tabled.