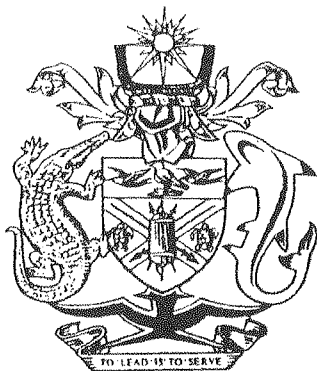




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AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE THREE BILLION, NINE HUNDRED AND TWENTY FIVE MILLION, SIX HUNDRED AND FORTY SIX THOUSAND AND EIGHT HUNDRED AND NINETY TWO DOLLARS, TO THE SERVICE OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2017.

ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL PARLIAMENT OF SOLOMON ISLANDS.

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Section 3

PART 1 - RECURRENT EXPENDITURE

| Head | Ministry | Amount (\$) |
|------|---|-------------|
| 270 | Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock Development | 31,596,929 |
| 271 | Office of the Auditor-General | 7,604,299 |
| 272 | Ministry of Education and Human Resources | 998,288,453 |
| 273 | Ministry of Finance and Treasury | 127,249,206 |
| 274 | Ministry of Foreign Affairs and External Trade | 44,584,812 |
| 275 | Office of the Governor-General | 8,358,137 |
| 276 | Ministry of Health and Medical Services | 338,008,769 |
| 277 | Ministry of Infrastructure Development | 67,489,501 |
| 279 | National Parliament | 81,690,576 |
| 280 | Ministry of Forestry | 22,311,197 |
| 281 | Office of the Prime Minister and Cabinet | 103,747,152 |
| 282 | Pensions and Gratuities | 8,383,040 |
| 283 | Ministry of Police, National Security and Correctional Services | 251,934,738 |
| 284 | Ministry of Provincial Government and Institutional Strengthening | 115,645,710 |
| 285 | Ministry of Lands, Housing and Survey | 17,552,101 |
| 286 | Ministry of Development Planning and Aid Coordination | 6,983,338 |
| 287 | Ministry of Culture and Tourism | 22,285,632 |
| 288 | Ministry of Commerce, Industries, Labour and Immigration | 34728682 |
| 289 | Ministry of Communication and Aviation | 48,422,873 |

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| 290 | Ministry of Fisheries and Marine Resources | 16,559,124 |
| 291 | Ministry of Public Service | 27,045,519 |
| 292 | Ministry of Justice and Legal Affairs | 28,878,280 |
| 293 | Ministry of Home Affairs | 23,789,538 |
| 294 | Ministry of National Unity, Reconciliation and Peace | 13,608,692 |
| 295 | Ministry of Mines, Energy and Rural Electrification | 15,742,039 |
| 296 | National Judiciary | 23,282,894 |
| 297 | Ministry of Women, Youth, Children's and Family Affairs | 11,209,265 |
| 298 | Ministry of Rural Development | 17,529,860 |
| 299 | Ministry of Environment, Climate Change, Disaster Management and Meteorology | 26,358,438 |
| | TOTAL RECURRENT ESTIMATES | 2,540,868,794 |

PART 2 - BUDGET SUPPORT EXPENDITURE

| Head | Ministry | Expenditure Authorised (\$) |
|------|--|-----------------------------|
| 372 | Ministry of Education and Human Resources | 66,600,000 |
| 374 | Ministry of Foreign Affairs and External Trade | 3,941,851 |
| 376 | Ministry of Health and Medical Services | 120,034,274 |
| 383 | Police, Nat Security & correctional Services | 4,333,481 |
| 390 | Ministry of Fisheries and Marine Resources | 7,616,000 |
| 392 | Ministry of Justice and Legal Affairs | 311,528 |
| 396 | National Judiciary | 1,087,262 |
| | TOTAL BUDGET SUPPORT ESTIMATES | 203,924,396 |

PART 3 - DEVELOPMENT EXPENDITURE

| Head | Ministry | Expenditure Authorised (\$) |
|------|---|--------------------------------|
| 470 | Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock Development | 54,221,000 |
| 471 | Office of the auditor General | 1,226,455 |
| 472 | Ministry of Education and Human Resources | 77,000,000 |
| 473 | Ministry of Finance and Treasury | 48,581,502 |
| 474 | Foreign Affairs & External Trade | 1,649,938 |
| 475 | Office of the Governor General | 549,979 |
| 476 | Ministry of Health and Medical Services | 29,000,000 |
| 477 | Ministry of Infrastructure Development | 244,040,000 |
| 479 | National Parliament | 5,000,000 |
| 480 | Ministry of Forestry | 21,048,200 |
| 481 | Office of the Prime Minister and Cabinet | 18,500,000 |
| 483 | Ministry of Police, National Security and Correctional Services | 26,588,000 |
| 484 | Ministry of Provincial Government and Institutional Strengthening | 60,000,000 |
| 485 | Ministry of Lands, Housing and Survey | 24,223,628 |
| 486 | Ministry of Development Planning and Aid Coordination | 15,950,000 |
| 487 | Ministry of Culture and Tourism | 29,800,000 |
| 488 | Ministry of Commerce, Industries, Labour and Immigration | 17,638,000 |
| 489 | Ministry of Communication and Aviation | 45,000,000 |
| 490 | Ministry of Fisheries and Marine Resources | 26,700,000 |
| 491 | Ministry of Public Service | 4,000,000 |
| 492 | Ministry of Justice and Legal Affairs | 22,332,000 |
| 493 | Ministry of Home Affairs | 18,000,000 |

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| 494 | Ministry of National Unity, Reconciliation and Peace | 7,000,000 |
| 495 | Ministry of Mines, Energy and Rural Electrification | 31,990,000 |
| 496 | National Judiciary | 5,020,000 |
| 497 | Ministry of Women, Youth, Children's and Family Affairs | 4,000,000 |
| 498 | Ministry of Rural Development | 325,000,000 |
| 499 | Ministry of Environment, Climate Change, Disaster Management and Meteorology | 16,795,000 |
| | TOTAL SIG FUNDED DEVELOPMENT ESTIMATES | 1,180,853,702 |

TOTAL EXPENDITURE \$ 3,925,646,892

NOTE: In addition to the amount authorised by this Act, a further \$82,162,311 is forecast to be expended through statutory charges on the Consolidated Fund, including \$71,054,267 to be expended on National Debt Repayments. These Statutory Appropriations are explained in the Budget Strategy and Outlook (Budget Paper 1) and the Recurrent Estimates Document (Budget Paper 2) and are appropriated by existing legislation or the Constitution.

SCHEDULE 2

Section 4

GOVERNMENT BORROWING LIMITS

| Column 2 Total borrowing limit | Column 3 Permitted purposes | Column 3 Source |
|--|---|---|
| Face value of Treasury Bills on issue at the end of 2017 must not exceed the face value of Treasury Bills on issue at the beginning of 2017 by more than \$100,000,000 | Purposes specified in section 71(4) of the <i>Public Financial Management Act 2013</i> (exceptional circumstances such as a major economic shock or natural disaster) | Treasury Bills issued under <i>Government Loans and Securities Act</i> (Cap. 119) |
| \$900,000,000 | Purposes specified in section 71(3) of the <i>Public Financial Management Act 2013</i> (high priority infrastructure and development initiatives) | Multilateral or bilateral development partners, domestic financial institutions |

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OBJECTS AND REASONS

The object of this Bill is to authorise expenditure of \$3,925,646,892 for the services of the Government for 2017.

This Bill sets annual limits on new Government borrowing, for the purpose of section 66(2) of the *Public Financial Management Act 2013*. There are 2 categories of permitted borrowing:

- borrowing by way of Treasury Bills to deal with exceptional circumstances
- borrowing from development partners or domestic financial institutions for the purpose of high priority infrastructure and development initiatives

The Bill specifies a borrowing limit for each category of permitted borrowing.

Provisions relating to the issue by the Minister for Finance and Treasury of advance warrants and contingency warrants during 2017 are also included.

The Bill should be read in conjunction with the Budget Papers provided to Parliament, including Budget Paper 1: Fiscal and Economic Outlook.

The Bill provides authority for a General Warrant to be issued by the Minister for Finance and Treasury up to three billion, nine hundred and twenty five million, six hundred and forty six thousand and eight hundred and ninety two dollars to the Permanent Secretary of Finance and Treasury. This further allows the issue of Accounting Warrants by the Permanent Secretary in accordance with sections 56 and 57 of the *Public Financial Management Act 2013*. The accounting warrants to be issued are outlined in Budget Paper 2: Recurrent Budget Estimates and Budget Paper 3: Development Budget Estimates.

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HON. SNYDER RINI
MINISTER FOR FINANCE AND TREASURY

