



New South Wales

# Appropriation Bill 2024

## Explanatory note

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

The following Bills are cognate with this Bill—

*Appropriation (Parliament) Bill 2024*

*Revenue Legislation Amendment Bill 2024*

## Overview of Bill

The object of this Bill is to appropriate from the Consolidated Fund various sums of money required for the 2024–25 financial year (the *appropriation year*) for the services of the Government, including—

- (a) departments of the Public Service, and
- (b) various special offices.

The Consolidated Fund largely comprises receipts from, and payments out of, taxes, fines, some regulatory fees, Commonwealth grants and income from Crown assets.

This Bill—

- (a) appropriates a single sum for the services of each agency, including capital works and services, recurrent services and the repayment of debt, and
- (b) contains an additional appropriation that allocates revenue raised in connection with gaming machine taxes to the Minister for Health for spending on health-related services, and
- (c) contains provision for transfer payments from the Commonwealth to non-government schools and local government, and
- (d) provides for appropriation for the whole of the appropriation year.

## Outline of provisions

### Part 1 Preliminary

**Clause 1** sets out the name, also called the short title, of the proposed Act.

**Clause 2** provides for the commencement of the proposed Act.

**Clause 3** defines certain terms used in the proposed Act.

### Part 2 Appropriations—departments

**Part 2** provides for appropriations to specified Ministers for the services of the departments and other matters within the administration of the Ministers for the appropriation year.

### Part 3 Additional appropriation for health-related services

**Part 3** makes an additional appropriation to the Minister for Health, being part of the revenue raised from gaming machine taxes.

### Part 4 Appropriations—special offices

**Part 4** provides for appropriations for the services of specified offices for the appropriation year.

### Part 5 Commonwealth transfer payments

**Part 5** provides for transfer payments from the Commonwealth to non-government schools and local government.

### Part 6 General

**Part 6** contains general provisions that do the following—

- (a) enable appropriations to be transferred between Ministers to take account of machinery of government changes occurring before the appropriation year but after the Bill for the proposed Act is introduced into the Legislative Assembly,  
**Note—** The *Government Sector Finance Act 2018*, section 4.9 permits appropriations to be transferred between Ministers in relation to machinery of government changes occurring during the appropriation year.
- (b) provide that certain payments made from the Consolidated Fund during the appropriation year and before the enactment of the proposed Act are deemed to be made out of sums appropriated by the proposed Act,  
**Note—** The *Government Sector Finance Act 2018*, section 4.10 authorises payments in these circumstances.
- (c) provide for variations to authorised payments to be made in certain circumstances,
- (d) provide for the circumstances in which the Treasurer may authorise payments for contingencies in relation to integrity agencies,
- (e) require details of payments of sums from special appropriations to the Treasurer to be included in the Budget Papers for the next Budget,
- (f) enable the function of expending certain amounts appropriated to the Treasurer to be delegated,
- (g) require the Auditor-General to be notified of authorisations given under the proposed part.



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*This PUBLIC BILL, originated in the LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY and, having this day passed, is now ready for presentation to the LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL for its concurrence.*

*Legislative Assembly*

*Clerk of the Legislative Assembly*



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## **Appropriation Bill 2024**

No           , 2024

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### **A Bill for**

An Act to appropriate out of the Consolidated Fund sums for the services of the Government for the year 2024–25.

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See also the *Appropriation (Parliament) Bill 2024* and the *Revenue Legislation Amendment Bill 2024*.

*The LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL has this day agreed to this Bill with/without amendment.*

*Legislative Council*

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*Clerk of the Parliaments*

**Tabling copy**

<b>The Legislature of New South Wales enacts—</b>	1
<b>Part 1 Preliminary</b>	2
<b>1 Name of Act</b>	3
This Act is the <i>Appropriation Act 2024</i> .	4
<b>2 Commencement</b>	5
This Act commences on the date of assent to this Act.	6
<b>3 Definitions</b>	7
In this Act—	8
<i>appropriated</i> means appropriated from the Consolidated Fund.	9
<i>appropriation year</i> means the year from 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025.	10
<i>services</i> includes the following—	11
(a) capital works and services,	12
(b) recurrent services,	13
(c) repayment of debt.	14

## Part 2 Appropriations—departments

**Note—** The total amount appropriated for services for the appropriation year in accordance with this part is \$118,715,059,271.

### Division 1 Cabinet Office

#### 4 Cabinet Office

The sum of \$102,542,436 is appropriated to the Premier for the services of The Cabinet Office for the appropriation year.

**Note—** The appropriation, together with funds from other sources, is intended to fund expenses to the sum of \$103,406,484.

### Division 2 Climate Change, Energy and the Environment

#### 5 Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water

The sum of \$5,422,031,544 is appropriated to the Minister for Climate Change for the services of the Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water for the appropriation year.

**Note—** The appropriation, together with funds from other sources, is intended to fund—

- (a) expenses to the sum of \$6,215,575,100, and
- (b) capital expenditure to the sum of \$549,527,000.

### Division 3 Communities and Justice

#### 6 Department of Communities and Justice

The sum of \$21,728,895,125 is appropriated to the Attorney General for the services of the Department of Communities and Justice for the appropriation year.

**Note—** The appropriation, together with funds from other sources, is intended to fund—

- (a) expenses to the sum of \$21,933,946,733, and
- (b) capital expenditure to the sum of \$1,259,745,000.

#### 7 New South Wales Fire Brigades Fund

The sum of \$5,169,000 is appropriated to the Attorney General for payment into the New South Wales Fire Brigades Fund established under the *Fire and Rescue NSW Act 1989*.

### Division 4 Customer Service

#### 8 Department of Customer Service

The sum of \$1,910,485,454 is appropriated to the Minister for Customer Service and Digital Government for the services of the Department of Customer Service for the appropriation year.

**Note—** The appropriation, together with funds from other sources, is intended to fund—

- (a) expenses to the sum of \$2,758,578,002, and
- (b) capital expenditure to the sum of \$135,822,000.

#### 9 Rental Bond Interest Account

The sum of \$68,626,000 is appropriated to the Minister for Customer Service and Digital Government for payment into the Rental Bond Interest Account established under the *Residential Tenancies Act 2010*.



<b>Division 5</b>	<b>Education</b>	1
<b>10</b>	<b>Department of Education</b>	2
	The sum of \$24,297,244,376 is appropriated to the Deputy Premier for the services of the Department of Education for the appropriation year.	3 4
	<b>Note—</b> The appropriation, together with funds from other sources, is intended to fund—	5
	(a) expenses to the sum of \$24,027,037,085, and	6
	(b) capital expenditure to the sum of \$2,719,525,000.	7
<b>Division 6</b>	<b>Health</b>	8
<b>11</b>	<b>Ministry of Health</b>	9
	The sum of \$19,730,177,813 is appropriated to the Minister for Health for the services of the Ministry of Health for the appropriation year.	10 11
	<b>Note—</b> The appropriations under this section and Part 3, together with funds from other sources, are intended to fund—	12 13
	(a) expenses to the sum of \$31,873,089,409, and	14
	(b) capital expenditure to the sum of \$3,207,202,000.	15
<b>Division 7</b>	<b>Jobs and Tourism</b>	16
<b>12</b>	<b>Department of Enterprise, Investment and Trade</b>	17
	The sum of \$1,823,605,227 is appropriated to the Minister for Jobs and Tourism for the services of the Department of Enterprise, Investment and Trade for the appropriation year.	18 19 20
	<b>Note—</b> The appropriation, together with funds from other sources, is intended to fund—	21
	(a) expenses to the sum of \$1,582,331,955, and	22
	(b) capital expenditure to the sum of \$446,587,000.	23
<b>Division 8</b>	<b>Planning</b>	24
<b>13</b>	<b>Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure</b>	25
	The sum of \$3,428,871,818 is appropriated to the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces for the services of the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure for the appropriation year.	26 27 28
	<b>Note—</b> The appropriation, together with funds from other sources, is intended to fund—	29
	(a) expenses to the sum of \$4,177,378,743, and	30
	(b) capital expenditure to the sum of \$75,831,000.	31
<b>Division 9</b>	<b>Premier's Department</b>	32
<b>14</b>	<b>Premier's Department</b>	33
	The sum of \$407,362,003 is appropriated to the Premier for the services of the Premier's Department for the appropriation year.	34 35
	<b>Note—</b> The appropriation, together with funds from other sources, is intended to fund—	36
	(a) expenses to the sum of \$443,782,743, and	37
	(b) capital expenditure to the sum of \$17,341,000.	38

<b>Division 10</b>	<b>Regional NSW</b>	1
<b>15</b>	<b>Department of Regional NSW</b>	2
	The sum of \$1,185,222,003 is appropriated to the Minister for Regional New South Wales for the services of the Department of Regional NSW for the appropriation year.	3 4 5
	<b>Note—</b> The appropriation, together with funds from other sources, is intended to fund—	6
	(a) expenses to the sum of \$2,426,069,980, and	7
	(b) capital expenditure to the sum of \$127,371,000.	8
<b>16</b>	<b>Regional Development Trust Fund</b>	9
	The sum of \$100,000,000 is appropriated to the Minister for Regional New South Wales for payment into the Regional Development Trust Fund established under the <i>Regional Development Act 2004</i> .	10 11 12
<b>Division 11</b>	<b>Transport</b>	13
<b>17</b>	<b>Department of Transport</b>	14
	The sum of \$23,110,768,560 is appropriated to the Minister for Transport for the services of the Department of Transport for the appropriation year.	15 16
	<b>Note—</b> The appropriation, together with funds from other sources, is intended to fund—	17
	(a) expenses to the sum of \$24,676,263,137, and	18
	(b) capital expenditure to the sum of \$9,071,371,000.	19
<b>Division 12</b>	<b>Treasury</b>	20
<b>18</b>	<b>Treasury</b>	21
	The sum of \$444,561,181 is appropriated to the Treasurer for the services of Treasury for the appropriation year.	22 23
	<b>Note—</b> The appropriation, together with funds from other sources, is intended to fund—	24
	(a) expenses to the sum of \$437,995,770, and	25
	(b) capital expenditure to the sum of \$25,892,000.	26
<b>19</b>	<b>Administered items</b>	27
	The sum of \$14,172,807,778 is appropriated to the Treasurer for the purposes of the activities or services administered by the Treasurer on behalf of the State generally for the appropriation year.	28 29 30
	<b>Note—</b> The appropriation, together with funds from other sources, is intended to fund expenses to the sum of \$13,994,219,421.	31 32
<b>20</b>	<b>NSW Generations Fund</b>	33
	The sum of \$256,089,953 is appropriated to the Treasurer for payment into the NSW Generations (Community Services and Facilities) Fund established under the <i>NSW Generations Funds Act 2018</i> .	34 35 36
<b>21</b>	<b>Contingencies in relation to integrity agencies</b>	37
(1)	The sum of \$20,000,000 is appropriated to the Treasurer for the purposes of contingencies in relation to integrity agencies for the appropriation year.	38 39
(2)	In this section—	40
	<b>integrity agency</b> means each of the following—	41
(a)	the Audit Office of New South Wales,	42

(b)	the Independent Commission Against Corruption,	1
(c)	the Law Enforcement Conduct Commission,	2
(d)	the New South Wales Electoral Commission,	3
(e)	the Ombudsman’s Office.	4
<b>22</b>	<b>Special appropriations</b>	5
(1)	The sum of \$177,899,000 is appropriated to the Treasurer for expenditure related to the Government’s conditional offer of an additional 0.5% increase to salary and salary-related allowances for eligible workers.	6 7 8
(2)	The sum of \$322,700,000 is appropriated to the Treasurer for the following that are not otherwise covered by an appropriation under this Act or the <i>Appropriation (Parliament) Act 2024</i> for the appropriation year—	9 10 11
(a)	State contingencies,	12
(b)	expenditure related to the Government’s election commitments,	13
(c)	essential services.	14

<b>Part 3</b>	<b>Additional appropriation for health-related services</b>	1
<b>23</b>	<b>Special appropriation to Minister for Health—additional revenue from gaming machine taxes</b>	2
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(1)	The sum of \$637,133,862 is appropriated to the Minister for Health for the services of the Ministry of Health for the appropriation year.	4
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(2)	The sum appropriated is in addition to any other sum appropriated by this Act.	6

## Part 4 Appropriations—special offices

**Note—** The total amount appropriated for services for the appropriation year in accordance with this part is \$657,408,404.

### 24 Independent Commission Against Corruption

The sum of \$49,127,162 is appropriated to the Premier for the services of the Independent Commission Against Corruption for the appropriation year.

**Note—** The appropriation, together with funds from other sources, is intended to fund—

- (a) expenses to the sum of \$43,336,763, and
- (b) capital expenditure to the sum of \$6,235,000.

### 25 Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal

The sum of \$43,435,481 is appropriated to the Premier for the services of the Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal for the appropriation year.

**Note—** The appropriation, together with funds from other sources, is intended to fund—

- (a) expenses to the sum of \$45,340,615, and
- (b) capital expenditure to the sum of \$180,000.

### 26 Judicial Commission of New South Wales

The sum of \$6,577,305 is appropriated to the Attorney General for the services of the Judicial Commission of New South Wales for the appropriation year.

**Note—** The appropriation, together with funds from other sources, is intended to fund—

- (a) expenses to the sum of \$7,880,861, and
- (b) capital expenditure to the sum of \$250,000.

### 27 Law Enforcement Conduct Commission

The sum of \$28,748,435 is appropriated to the Premier for the services of the Law Enforcement Conduct Commission for the appropriation year.

**Note—** The appropriation, together with funds from other sources, is intended to fund—

- (a) expenses to the sum of \$29,665,283, and
- (b) capital expenditure to the sum of \$15,450,000.

### 28 New South Wales Electoral Commission

The sum of \$192,825,722 is appropriated to the Premier for the services of the New South Wales Electoral Commission for the appropriation year.

**Note—** The appropriation, together with funds from other sources, is intended to fund—

- (a) expenses to the sum of \$199,027,523, and
- (b) capital expenditure to the sum of \$12,707,000.

### 29 Office of the Children’s Guardian

The sum of \$22,783,711 is appropriated to the Minister for Families and Communities for the services of the Office of the Children’s Guardian for the appropriation year.

**Note—** The appropriation, together with funds from other sources, is intended to fund—

- (a) expenses to the sum of \$63,643,601, and
- (b) capital expenditure to the sum of \$1,439,000.

### 30 Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions

The sum of \$237,731,534 is appropriated to the Attorney General for the services of the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions for the appropriation year.

**Note—** The appropriation, together with funds from other sources, is intended to fund—

(a)	expenses to the sum of \$247,989,523, and	1
(b)	capital expenditure to the sum of \$4,455,000.	2
<b>31</b>	<b>Ombudsman’s Office</b>	3
	The sum of \$54,571,245 is appropriated to the Premier for the services of the Ombudsman’s Office for the appropriation year.	4
	<b>Note—</b> The appropriation, together with funds from other sources, is intended to fund—	5
(a)	expenses to the sum of \$56,832,851, and	6
(b)	capital expenditure to the sum of \$6,943,000.	7
<b>32</b>	<b>Public Service Commission</b>	8
	The sum of \$21,607,809 is appropriated to the Premier for the services of the Public Service Commission for the appropriation year.	9
	<b>Note—</b> The appropriation, together with funds from other sources, is intended to fund—	10
(a)	expenses to the sum of \$31,319,410, and	11
(b)	capital expenditure to the sum of \$270,000.	12
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<b>Part 5</b>	<b>Commonwealth transfer payments</b>	1
<b>33</b>	<b>Appropriation for Commonwealth transfer payments</b>	2
(1)	The sum of \$6,829,600,000 is appropriated to the Treasurer for Commonwealth transfer payments to non-government schools and local government for services for the appropriation year.	3 4 5
(2)	The sum appropriated is in addition to any other sum appropriated by this Act.	6
(3)	The sum appropriated is subject to the <i>Government Sector Finance Act 2018</i> , section 4.11.	7 8

<b>Part 6</b>	<b>General</b>	1
<b>34</b>	<b>Appropriations affected by transfer of functions between Ministers or GSF agencies</b>	2
	A reference to the annual reporting period in the <i>Government Sector Finance Act 2018</i> , section 4.9 in relation to the appropriation year is taken to be extended to commence from when the Bill for this Act is introduced in the Legislative Assembly.	3 4 5
<b>35</b>	<b>Payments authorised on lapse of appropriation</b>	6
	An amount is taken to have been expended out of a sum appropriated for a purpose by this Act if the amount—	7 8
	(a) was paid for the purpose under the <i>Government Sector Finance Act 2018</i> , section 4.10, and	9 10
	(b) was paid during the appropriation year and before the date of assent to this Act.	11
<b>36</b>	<b>Variations to appropriated amounts</b>	12
(1)	The Treasurer may authorise the payment of a sum for a purpose that is more than the sum appropriated under a part of this Act for the purpose if—	13 14
	(a) the Treasurer is of the opinion that the exigencies of government require the payment, and	15 16
	(b) an equivalent sum is not paid out of the sum appropriated under the part for another purpose.	17 18
(2)	The Treasurer may authorise the payment of a sum for a purpose that is more than the sum appropriated under a part of this Act for the purpose if—	19 20
	(a) the Treasurer is of the opinion that the sum appropriated for the purpose is insufficient to enable the purpose to be effectively and efficiently carried out, and	21 22 23
	(b) an equivalent sum is not paid out of the sum appropriated under the part for another purpose, and	24 25
	(c) the equivalent sum is identified as surplus to the other purpose by the Minister in relation to whom the other purpose is specified.	26 27
(3)	It is not relevant for this section that different Ministers may be specified in the part of this Act in relation to each of the purposes to which a variation relates.	28 29
(4)	The Treasurer must not authorise a payment under this section that increases salary or wages if the amount of the salary or wages is fixed by law.	30 31
(5)	The Treasurer may authorise a payment under this section before or after the payment is made.	32 33
(6)	A Minister may appoint the accountable authority for a GSF agency for which the Minister is the responsible Minister to carry out the Minister's functions under subsection (2)(c).	34 35 36
(7)	In this section— <i>accountable authority</i> and <i>GSF agency</i> have the same meanings as in the <i>Government Sector Finance Act 2018</i> .	37 38 39
<b>37</b>	<b>Contingencies in relation to integrity agencies</b>	40
	The Treasurer may authorise the payment of a sum appropriated to the Treasurer by this Act for contingencies in relation to integrity agencies if the Treasurer is of the opinion that the sum is reasonably necessary for the integrity agency to effectively and efficiently carry out its functions.	41 42 43 44



<b>38</b>	<b>Special appropriations</b>	1
	A sum appropriated to the Treasurer by this Act as a special appropriation must be treated, for the purposes of the <i>Government Sector Finance Act 2018</i> , section 4.12, as if it were a Treasurer’s State contingencies appropriation.	2 3 4
<b>39</b>	<b>Delegation</b>	5
(1)	The expenditure of money appropriated to the Treasurer by this Act is a delegable function of the Treasurer for the purposes of the <i>Government Sector Finance Act 2018</i> , section 9.8 if the appropriation is—	6 7 8
	(a) for contingencies in relation to integrity agencies, or	9
	(b) a special appropriation.	10
(2)	The function may be delegated to—	11
	(a) for contingencies in relation to integrity agencies—	12
	(i) the responsible Minister for the relevant integrity agency, or	13
	(ii) the accountable authority for the integrity agency, or	14
	(b) for a special appropriation—	15
	(i) another Minister, or	16
	(ii) the accountable authority for a GSF agency, or	17
	(iii) a GSF agency that is a person.	18
(3)	The delegate may subdelegate the function as if it were a delegable function of the delegate.	19 20
(4)	Terms in this section have the same meanings as in the <i>Government Sector Finance Act 2018</i> .	21 22
<b>40</b>	<b>Authorisations and appointments</b>	23
(1)	The Treasurer must inform the Auditor-General of an authorisation given by the Treasurer under this part.	24 25
(2)	The Treasurer may appoint a person to exercise the Treasurer’s functions under this part.	26 27
(3)	An appointment by the Treasurer or a Minister under this part—	28
	(a) may be subject to conditions, and	29
	(b) may be revoked at any time.	30