



PARLIAMENT OF THE COOK ISLANDS

APPROPRIATION BILL

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This note does not form part of the Bill but is intended to indicate its effect.

The Constitution of the Cook Islands provides in Article 70(1) that “... all expenditure from the Cook Islands Government Account or from any other public fund or account, shall be in accordance with an Appropriation Act...”

Clause 1 provides that, on enactment, the Bill will be called the Appropriation Act 2018.

Clause 2 is the application provision, which specifies the financial year to which the Bill relates. In this case it is the financial year ending 30th June 2019.

Clause 3 authorises expenditure out of the Cook Islands Government Account of the amounts not exceeding those set out in the Schedules to the Bill, for the several votes specified therein.

Subsection 5 limits any expenditure which may be charged to the 2018/19 appropriation to actual expenditure incurred in the period 1 July 2018 to 30 June 2019.

Subsections 6-7 limits any expenditure which may be charged to the 2017/18 appropriation to actual expenditure incurred up to 30 June 2018.

Subsection 8 limits any expenditure which may be charged to appropriations from years prior to 2017/18 to actual expenditure incurred up to 30 June 2018.

Note: Budget Books numbered 1 and 2 will be available with the Bill. The breakdown

of items and amounts, to justify the figures in the Bill, are presented in those Books.
