



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Supplementary Order Paper

Tuesday, 16 March 1999

APPROPRIATION (1997/98 FINANCIAL REVIEW) BILL

Proposed Amendment

Hon BILL ENGLISH, in Committee, to move the following amendment:

New clause 6A: To insert, after clause 6, the following clause:

6A. Validation of expenses incurred outside scope of appropriation in Vote Business Development—(1) The incurring of an unquantified portion of \$10,085,000 in expenses by the Crown in Vote Business Development for the financial year ended 30 June 1998 in the circumstances set out in subsection (2) is validated.

(2) The circumstances were that,—

(a) For the year ended 30 June 1998, Parliament appropriated \$19,789,000 for the Crown to incur expenses in Vote Business Development for providing business capability improvement grants in accordance with the Code for Business Development Boards; and

(b) An unquantified portion of the \$10,085,000 in expenses the Crown incurred in providing business capability improvement grants was outside the scope of the appropriation for such grants in that it breached the criteria specified in the Code for Business Development Boards.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This Supplementary Order Paper proposes to amend the Appropriation (1997/98 Financial Review) Bill to validate an unquantified portion of expenses of \$10,085,000 incurred in Vote Business Development on business capability improvement grants. This incurring of expenses was outside the scope of the appropriation for such grants because it breached the criteria specified in the Code for Business Development Boards.