

## Executive Summary

On 24 June 2025, the Honourable David Janetzki MP, Treasurer, Minister for Energy and Minister for Home Ownership introduced the Appropriation Bill 2025 (Bill) into the Legislative Assembly. The Bill was referred to the Governance, Energy and Finance Committee (committee) for consideration.

The estimates process is one of the key mechanisms to examine government expenditure, performance and effectiveness. By examining and reporting on the proposed expenditures contained in the Bill, the committee assists the Parliament in its scrutiny of the Government's proposed expenditure.

The Appropriation for 2025-26 is \$105,417,248,000.<sup>1</sup>

The committee's examination of the Bill is in relation to the:

- Department of the Premier and Cabinet
- Public Sector Commission
- Office of the Governor
- Queensland Audit Office
- Queensland Treasury
- Department of Trade, Employment and Training.<sup>2</sup>

The committee conducted public hearings and took evidence about the proposed expenditure from the:

- Premier and Minister for Veterans and other witnesses on 29 July 2025
- Treasurer, Minister for Energy and Minister for Home Ownership and other witnesses on 29 July 2025
- Minister for Finance, Trade, Employment and Training and other witnesses on 30 July 2025.

This report summarises the estimates referred to the committee and highlights some of the issues the committee examined including information contained in the:

- budget papers
- answers to pre-hearing questions on notice
- evidence taken at the hearing.

The committee made one recommendation (found at page vi of this report) that the proposed expenditure, as detailed in the Bill for the committee's areas of responsibility, be agreed to by the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

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<sup>1</sup> Appropriation Bill 2025, s 2.

<sup>2</sup> Standing Orders, sch 6; Appropriation Bill 2025, sch 1.