



BILL NO. 316

Government Bill

*1st Session, 64th General Assembly
Nova Scotia
1 Charles III, 2023*

An Act to Provide for Defraying Certain Charges and Expenses of the Public Service of the Province

CHAPTER 1
ACTS OF 2023

**AS ASSENTED TO BY THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR
APRIL 12, 2023**

The Honourable Allan MacMaster
Minister of Finance and Treasury Board

*Halifax, Nova Scotia
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Be it enacted by the Governor and Assembly as follows:

1 This Act may be cited as the *Appropriations Act, 2023*.

2 The several sums of money hereinafter stated are granted to His Honour the Lieutenant Governor for the purpose of defraying the undermentioned several charges and expenses of the public service for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2024:

Department of Advanced Education	\$ 707,234,000
Department of Agriculture	45,350,000
Department of Communities, Culture, Tourism and Heritage	170,492,000
Department of Community Services	1,299,913,000
Department of Economic Development	95,126,000
Department of Education and Early Childhood Development	1,873,505,000
Department of Environment and Climate Change	40,445,000
Department of Finance and Treasury Board	35,736,000
Debt Servicing Costs, Department of Finance and Treasury Board	766,911,000
Department of Fisheries and Aquaculture	16,633,000
Department of Health and Wellness	4,854,073,000
Department of Justice	450,288,000
Department of Labour, Skills and Immigration	206,236,000
Department of Municipal Affairs and Housing	554,398,000
Department of Natural Resources and Renewables	142,579,000
Communications Nova Scotia	7,189,000
Elections Nova Scotia	4,309,000
Executive Council	10,524,000
Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Review Office	1,191,000
Government Contributions to Benefit Plans	9,149,000
Human Rights Commission	2,997,000
Intergovernmental Affairs	5,019,000
Legislative Services	25,970,000
Nova Scotia Police Complaints Commissioner	442,000

Nova Scotia Securities Commission	3,106,000
Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board	2,221,000
Office of Addictions and Mental Health	306,855,000
Office of Equity and Anti-Racism Initiatives	4,681,000
Office of Healthcare Professionals Recruitment	7,902,000
Office of L’nu Affairs	4,393,000
Office of the Auditor General	6,061,000
Office of the Ombudsman	2,167,000
Public Prosecution Service	29,293,000
Public Service Commission.	21,893,000
Regulatory Affairs and Service Effectiveness	2,622,000
Department of Public Works	672,290,000
Department of Seniors and Long-term Care	1,331,978,000
Department of Service Nova Scotia and Internal Services	382,518,000
Restructuring Costs	513,874,000
Refundable Tax Credits	136,099,000
Pension Valuation Adjustment.	66,639,000
Capital Purchase Requirements	1,330,069,000
Sinking Fund Instalments and Serial Retirements.	5,833,000

3 The several sums shall be paid by the Minister of Finance and Treasury Board, subject to any applicable statutes, out of the moneys that are applicable to the purposes for which the several sums are granted.

4 In addition to borrowing authorized by other enactments, the Minister of Finance and Treasury Board is authorized to borrow, for the purpose of and in accordance with the *Finance Act*, the sum of \$1,750,000,000 for the public service, by any means and from any source, for a term greater than three hundred sixty-five days, either before or after the expiration of the 2023-24 fiscal year.

5 This Act has effect on and after April 1, 2023.
