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PASSED by the National Parliament this 7th day of December 2023.

(This printed impression has been carefully compared by me with the Bill passed by Parliament and found by me to be a true and correct copy of the Bill)

David Kusilifu
Clerk to National Parliament

ASSENTED to in His Majesty's name and on His Majesty's behalf this 15th day of December 2023.

Sir David Vunagi
Governor-General

Date of Commencement: see section 2.

AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FOUR BILLION, TWO HUNDRED AND THIRTEEN MILLION, TWO HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIVE THOUSAND AND NINE HUNDRED AND SIXTY THREE DOLLARS TO THE SERVICE OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2024.

ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL PARLIAMENT OF SOLOMON ISLANDS.

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1 Short title

This Act may be cited as the *2024 Appropriation Act 2023*.

2 Commencement

This Act commences on 1 January 2024.

3 Authorisation of appropriation

- (1) The issue of an amount of \$4,213,235,963 from the Consolidated Fund is authorised, to be applied to the service of the financial year ending 31 December 2024.
- (2) The amount specified in subsection (1) is appropriated for the supply of the heads specified in Schedule 1 in the amount specified for each head.

4 Government borrowing limits

- (1) This section applies for the purposes of section 66 (2) of the *Public Financial Management Act 2013* for the financial year ending 31 December 2024.
- (2) The Government may borrow or agree to borrow amounts not exceeding in total the borrowing limits specified in Schedule 2, column 1, for the purposes specified opposite in column 2, from the sources specified opposite in column 3.

5 Debt service account

For section 69(2) of the *Public Financial Management Act 2013*, the Minister must set aside 6.14 per cent of the Government's domestically sourced revenue earned in the financial year ending 31 December 2024, to be transferred into the debt service account for the purpose of discharging statutory debt.

6 Advance warrants

For section 60(2) of the *Public Financial Management Act 2013*, the total amount authorised by advance warrants issued by the Minister for the financial year ending 31 December 2024 must not at any one time, after deducting repayments and monies on deposit, exceed \$150,000,000.

7 Contingency warrants

The total sums authorised by contingency warrants issued by the Minister under section 58 of the *Public Financial Management Act 2013* for the financial year ending 31 December 2024 must not exceed \$20,000,000 and may only be used for the recurrent and development heads of expenditure specified in Schedule 1, Parts 1 and 3.

SCHEDULE 1

(Sections 3 and 7)

PART 1 -RECURRENT EXPENDITURE

Head	Ministry	Expenditure Authorised (\$)
01	Solomon Islands Electoral Commission	77,599,113
02	Office of the Ombudsman	4,807,927
03	Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock Development	34,137,233
04	Office of the Auditor-General	9,910,818
05	Ministry of Education and Human Resources Development	1,113,310,256
06	Ministry of Finance and Treasury	261,590,622
07	Ministry of Foreign Affairs and External Trade	57,757,697
08	Office of the Governor-General	10,554,141
09	Ministry of Health and Medical Services	530,529,342
10	Ministry of Infrastructure Development	55,778,237
12	National Parliament of Solomon Islands	125,584,615
13	Ministry of Forestry and Research	24,431,446
14	Office of the Prime Minister and Cabinet	91,802,367
16	Ministry of Police, National Security and Correctional Services	346,682,431
17	Ministry of Provincial Government and Institutional Strengthening	148,612,162
18	Ministry of Lands, Housing and Survey	19,674,381
19	Ministry of National Planning and Development Coordination	6,659,857
20	Ministry of Culture and Tourism	26,499,802
21	Ministry of Commerce, Industries, Labour and Immigration	50,332,135
22	Ministry of Communication and Aviation	37,941,145
23	Ministry of Fisheries and Marine Resources	26,566,213
24	Ministry of Public Service	29,761,326
25	Ministry of Justice and Legal Affairs	54,658,805
26	Ministry of Home Affairs	57,104,312

27	Ministry of Traditional Governance, Peace and Ecclesiastical Affairs	28,885,047
28	Ministry of Mines, Energy and Rural Electrification	16,675,987
29	National Judiciary	30,986,345
30	Ministry of Women, Youth, Children and Family Affairs	12,501,745
31	Ministry of Rural Development	92,862,613
32	Ministry of Environment, Climate Change, Disaster Management and Meteorology	36,987,027
	TOTAL RECURRENT ESTIMATES	3,421,185,147

PART 2 - BUDGET SUPPORT EXPENDITURE

Head	Ministry	Expenditure Authorised (\$)
01	Solomon Islands Electoral Office	27,047,887
03	Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock Development	1,727,000
05	Ministry of Education and Human Resources Development	36,834,852
06	Ministry of Finance and Treasury	40,597,286
09	Ministry of Health and Medical Services	15,302,362
20	Ministry of Culture and Tourism	5,774,586
23	Ministry of Fisheries and Marine Resources	7,641,943
26	Ministry of Home Affairs	374,900
	TOTAL BUDGET SUPPORT ESTIMATES	135,300,816

PART 3 - DEVELOPMENT EXPENDITURE

Head	Ministry	Expenditure Authorised (\$)
03	Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock Development	30,000,000
05	Ministry of Education and Human Resources Development	66,900,000
06	Ministry of Finance and Treasury	39,000,000
09	Ministry of Health and Medical Services	40,000,000

10	Ministry of Infrastructure Development	100,200,000
12	National Parliament	2,150,000
13	Ministry of Forestry and Research	10,636,000
14	Office of the Prime Minister and Cabinet	9,450,000
16	Ministry of Police National Security & Correctional Services	21,630,000
17	Ministry of Provincial Government & Institutional Strengthening	30,000,000
18	Ministry of Lands, Housing and Survey	10,000,000
19	Ministry of National Planning and Development Coordination	8,983,230
20	Ministry of Culture and Tourism	10,000,000
21	Ministry of Commerce, Industries, Labour and Immigration	48,963,770
22	Ministry of Communications and Aviation	30,357,000
23	Ministry of Fisheries and Marine Resources	15,000,000
25	Ministry of Justice and Legal Affairs	3,000,000
26	Ministry of Home Affairs	12,000,000
27	Ministry of Traditional Governance, Peace and Ecclesiastical Affairs	2,500,000
28	Ministry of Mines, Energy and Rural Electrification	28,160,000
29	National Judiciary	5,000,000
30	Ministry of Women, Youth and Family Affairs	3,000,000
31	Ministry of Rural Development	120,000,000
32	Ministry of Environment, Climate Change, Meteorology and Disaster Management	9,820,000
	TOTAL DEVELOPMENT ESTIMATES	656,750,000

TOTAL APPROPRIATION FUNDING \$4,213,235,963

NOTE: In addition to the amount authorised by this Act, a further **\$170,472,546** is forecast to be expended through statutory charges on the Consolidated Fund, including **\$138,097,517** to be expended on National Debt Repayments. These Statutory Appropriations are explained in the Financial Policy Objectives and Strategies Statement (Budget Paper 1) and the Recurrent Estimates Document (Budget Paper 2) and are appropriated by existing legislation or the Constitution.

SCHEDULE 2

(Section 4)

GOVERNMENT BORROWING LIMITS

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
Total borrowing limits	Permitted purposes	Sources
Face value of Treasury Bills on issue at the end of 2024 must not exceed the face value of Treasury Bills on issue at the beginning of 2024 by more than \$200,000,000	Purposes specified in section 71(4) of the <i>Public Financial Management Act 2013</i> (exceptional circumstances such as a major economic shock or natural disaster)	Treasury Bills issued under <i>Government Loans and Securities Act</i> (Cap. 119)
\$558,000,000	Purposes specified in section 71(3) of the <i>Public Financial Management Act 2013</i> (specifically \$558,000,000 for high priority infrastructure and development initiatives)	Multilateral or bilateral development partners, domestic financial institutions