



FIRST REPORT
OF THE
STANDING COMMITTEE ON ESTIMATES

Fourth Session
Fifty-seventh Legislative Assembly
of the
Province of New Brunswick

April 16, 2014

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April 16, 2014

To The Honourable
The Legislative Assembly of
The Province of New Brunswick

Mr. Speaker:

Your Standing Committee on Estimates begs leave to submit this, their First Report.

Your Committee met in the Legislative Assembly Chamber on February 18, 20, 24, 25, March 12, 19, 20, 21, 27, April 2, 3, and 9, 2014, to consider the estimates referred to your Committee by resolutions of the House adopted February 13 and March 14, 2014.

Your Committee wishes to report that they have made certain progress therein and have passed all of the estimates referred to them and outlined in this report. Your Committee recommends that these estimates be concurred in by the House.

Glen Tait, MLA
Chair

The following are the items that were passed by the Committee:

**MAIN ESTIMATES, 2014-2015
ORDINARY ACCOUNT**

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, AQUACULTURE AND FISHERIES

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding \$36,511,000 to defray the expenses of the following program allocations for the fiscal year ending the 31st of March, 2015:

Management Services	3,606,000
Industry Programs and Policy	20,156,000
Regional Development	12,802,000
Less amounts authorized by law	53,000
Voted	36,511,000

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding \$97,236,000 to defray the expenses of the following program allocations for the fiscal year ending the 31st of March, 2015:

Administration	2,888,000
Business and Trade Development	4,295,000
Local Development	9,800,000
Strategic Assistance	9,900,000
Regional Development Corporation	71,156,000
Less amounts authorized by law	53,000
Less designated revenue	750,000
Voted	97,236,000

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND MINES

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding \$9,077,000 to defray the expenses of the following program allocations for the fiscal year ending the 31st of March, 2015:

Administration	698,000
Policy Management and Business Development	3,797,000
Resource Exploration, Development and Management	4,635,000
Less amounts authorized by law	53,000
Voted	9,077,000

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding \$135,783,000 to defray the expenses of the following program allocations for the fiscal year ending the 31st of March, 2015:

Corporate Services	4,412,000
Local Government	118,529,000
Environment	12,480,000
Assessment and Planning Appeal Board	280,000
Community Funding	156,000
Local and Regional Governance	1,046,000
Less amounts authorized by law	53,000

Less designated revenue	1,067,000
Voted	135,783,000

INVEST NEW BRUNSWICK

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding \$17,638,000 to defray the expenses of the following program allocations for the fiscal year ending the 31st of March, 2015:

Invest NB	4,913,000
Strategic Assistance	12,725,000
Voted	17,638,000

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding \$ 1,090,006,000 to defray the expenses of the following program allocations for the fiscal year ending the 31st of March, 2015:

Corporate and Other Services	12,426,000
Child Welfare and Youth Services	123,499,000
Long Term Care	590,908,000
Income Security	246,824,000
Housing Services	86,202,000
Other Benefits	32,200,000
Less amounts authorized by law	53,000
Less designated revenue	2,000,000
Voted	1,090,006,000

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding \$253,708,000 to defray the expenses of the following program allocations for the fiscal year ending the 31st of March, 2015:

Administration	15,780,000
Policy, Planning and Strategic Development	2,001,000
Maintenance	53,281,000
Winter Maintenance	60,200,000
Bridge and Highway Construction	1,540,000
Buildings Group	120,423,000
New Brunswick Highway Corporation	20,222,000
Less amounts authorized by law	19,699,000
Less designated revenue	40,000
Voted	253,708,000

CAPITAL ACCOUNT

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, AQUACULTURE AND FISHERIES

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding \$600,000 to defray the expenses of the following program allocations for the fiscal year ending the 31st of March, 2015:

Marshland Maintenance	400,000
Capital Equipment	200,000
Voted	600,000

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding \$4,125,000 to defray the expenses of the following program allocation for the fiscal year ending the 31st of March, 2015:
Regional Development Corporation:

Economic Development and Innovation	4,125,000
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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding \$500,000 to defray the expenses of the following program allocation for the fiscal year ending the 31st of March, 2015:

Local Service Districts	500,000
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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding \$480,665,000 to defray the expenses of the following program allocations for the fiscal year ending the 31st of March, 2015:

Permanent Bridges	48,911,000
Permanent Highways	85,642,000
Rural Road Infrastructure	47,500,000
Canada - New Brunswick National Highway System Program	31,244,000
Public Works and Infrastructure	298,110,000
Vehicle Management Agency	10,000,000
Less amounts authorized by law	40,742,000
Voted	480,665,000

LOANS AND ADVANCES

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, AQUACULTURE AND FISHERIES

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding \$11,100,000 to defray the expenses of the following program allocations for the fiscal year ending the 31st of March, 2015:

New Brunswick Agricultural Insurance Commission	1,600,000
Loan Programs	9,500,000
Voted	11,100,000

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding \$65,000,000 to defray the expenses of the following program allocations for the fiscal year ending the 31st of March, 2015:

Financial Assistance to Industry	60,000,000
Regional Development Corporation: Financial assistance under the Northern New Brunswick Economic Development and Innovation Fund Loan Program	4,000,000
Financial assistance under the Miramichi Regional Economic Development and Innovation Fund Loan Program	1,000,000
Voted	65,000,000

INVEST NEW BRUNSWICK

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding \$30,000,000 to defray the expenses of the following program allocation for the fiscal year ending the 31st of March, 2015:

Financial Assistance to Industry 30,000,000

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding \$4,905,000 to defray the expenses of the following program allocation for the fiscal year ending the 31st of March, 2015:

Housing 4,905,000

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding \$642,000 to defray the expenses of the following program allocation for the fiscal year ending the 31st of March, 2015:

Loans and Advances Program 642,000

**WORKING CAPITAL – MAXIMUM BALANCES
2014 - 2015**

	Voted
WORKING CAPITAL ADVANCES	
Agriculture, Aquaculture and Fisheries	1,100,000
Social Development	1,900,000
Transportation and Infrastructure	3,000,000
PETTY CASH ADVANCES	
Agriculture, Aquaculture and Fisheries	24,000
Environment and Local Government	5,000
Social Development	24,000
Transportation and Infrastructure	23,000
INVENTORIES	
Agriculture, Aquaculture and Fisheries	2,000,000
Social Development	100,000
Transportation and Infrastructure	23,000,000