

**L.N. 35 of 2023**

## **Public Finance Ordinance**

### **Resolution of the Legislative Council**

Resolution made and passed by the Legislative Council under section 7(1) of the Public Finance Ordinance (Cap. 2) on 15 March 2023.

**Resolved that—**

1. Authority is given for a sum not exceeding \$198,345,661,000 to be charged on the general revenue for expenditure on the services of the Government in respect of the financial year commencing on 1 April 2023.
2. Subject to this Resolution, the sum so charged may be expended against the heads of expenditure as shown in the Estimates of Expenditure 2023–24 laid before the Legislative Council on 22 February 2023 or, if the Estimates are changed under the provisions of the Public Finance Ordinance (Cap. 2) as applied by section 7(2) of that Ordinance, as shown in the Estimates as so changed.
3. Expenditure in respect of any head of expenditure must not exceed the aggregate of the amounts authorized by paragraph 4 to be expended in respect of the subheads in that head of expenditure.
4. Expenditure in respect of each subhead in a head of expenditure must not exceed—
  - (a) for an Operating Account Recurrent subhead of expenditure, an amount equivalent to—

- (i) except if the subhead is listed in Schedule 1 to this Resolution, 20% of the provision shown in the Estimates in respect of that subhead; or
  - (ii) if the subhead is listed in Schedule 1 to this Resolution, the percentage of the provision shown in the Estimates in respect of that subhead that is specified in that Schedule in relation to that subhead; and
- (b) for an Operating Account Non-Recurrent subhead of expenditure or a Capital Account subhead of expenditure, an amount equivalent to—
- (i) except if the subhead is listed in Schedule 2 to this Resolution, 100% of the provision shown in the Estimates in respect of that subhead; or
  - (ii) if the subhead is listed in Schedule 2 to this Resolution, the amount that is specified in that Schedule in relation to that subhead,

or such other amount, not exceeding an amount equivalent to 100% of the provision shown in the Estimates in respect of that subhead, as may in any case be approved by the Financial Secretary.

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**Schedule 1**

[para. 4(a)]

Head of Expenditure		Subhead		Percentage of provision shown in Estimates
59	Government Logistics Department	225	Traffic Accident Victims Assistance Scheme—levies	100
90	Labour Department	280	Contribution to the Occupational Safety and Health Council	30
		295	Contribution to the Occupational Deafness Compensation Board	30
120	Pensions	026	Employees' compensation, injury, incapacity and death related payments and expenses	40
132	Government Secretariat: Culture, Sports and Tourism Bureau	000	Operational expenses	25
136	Public Service Commission Secretariat	000	Operational expenses	30

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	Head of Expenditure		Subhead	Percentage of provision shown in Estimates
152	Government Secretariat: Commerce and Economic Development Bureau	000	Operational expenses	25
155	Government Secretariat: Innovation and Technology Commission	000	Operational expenses	25
170	Social Welfare Department	157	Assistance for patients and their families	100
		176	Criminal and law enforcement injuries compensation	25
		177	Emergency relief	100
		179	Comprehensive social security assistance scheme	30
		180	Social security allowance scheme	30
		187	Agents' commission and expenses	30

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Schedule 2

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**Schedule 2**

				[para. 4(b)]
Head of Expenditure		Subhead		Amount
				\$
106	Miscellaneous Services	689	Additional commitments	0

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Clerk to the Legislative Council

15 March 2023

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Explanatory Note  
Paragraph 1

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**Explanatory Note**

This Resolution authorizes the expenditure of a sum not exceeding \$198,345,661,000 on the services of the Government before the enactment of an Appropriation Ordinance for the 2023–24 financial year.