

*These notes refer to the Budget Act (Northern Ireland)
2007 (c.1) which received Royal Assent on 27 June 2007*

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EXPLANATORY NOTES

BACKGROUND

Budget Acts are the legislative means by which Assembly gives approval for voted expenditure by Departments. Budget Acts authorise the Department of Finance and Personnel to issue money from the Northern Ireland Consolidated Fund for the services detailed in corresponding Estimates volumes and summarised in Schedules in the Act. Budget Acts also authorise the use of resources for the services detailed in corresponding Estimates volumes and summarised in Schedules in the Act. Estimates volumes and other relevant documents are published so as to be available when Budget Bills are introduced in the Assembly. The Main Estimates (initial voted provision for a financial year) and subsequent Supplementary Estimates which increase or vary what was approved in the Main Estimates are contained in separate Budget Acts.