

OMBUDSMAN ONTARIO

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MINISTRY PROGRAM SUMMARY

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VOTE PROGRAM	Estimates 2007-08	Estimates 2006-07	Difference Between 2007-08 and 2006-07	Actual 2005-06
OPERATING EXPENSE				
2301 Ombudsman Ontario Program	9,704,400	9,451,200	253,200	10,607,100
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSE TO BE VOTED	9,704,400	9,451,200	253,200	10,607,100
Ministry Total Operating Expense	9,704,400	9,451,200	253,200	10,607,100
Ministry Total Operating and Capital Including Consolidation and Other Adjustments (not including Assets)	9,704,400	9,451,200	253,200	10,607,100

OMBUDSMAN ONTARIO PROGRAM - VOTE 2301

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ITEM #	ITEM	Estimates 2007-08	Estimates 2006-07	Difference Between 2007-08 and 2006-07	Actual 2005-06
OPERATING EXPENSE					
1	The Ombudsman	9,704,400	9,451,200	253,200	10,607,100
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSE TO BE VOTED		9,704,400	9,451,200	253,200	10,607,100
Total Operating Expense		9,704,400	9,451,200	253,200	10,607,100

OMBUDSMAN ONTARIO PROGRAM - VOTE 2301, cont'd

STANDARD ACCOUNTS CLASSIFICATION

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VOTE - ITEM #	STANDARD ACCOUNT BY ITEM AND SUB-ITEMS	
	OPERATING EXPENSE	
2301-1	The Ombudsman	
	Salaries and wages	6,164,000
	Employee benefits	1,325,300
	Transportation and communication	593,000
	Services	1,373,200
	Supplies and equipment	248,900
	Total Operating Expense to be Voted	9,704,400
	Total Operating Expense for Ombudsman Ontario Program	9,704,400