

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ELECTION OFFICER

SUMMARY

The Office of the Chief Election Officer (Elections Ontario) administers the *Election Act* and the *Election Finances Act*. The Office operates under the direction of the Chief Election Officer who reports directly to the Legislative Assembly on the conduct of elections.

2005-06 Estimates	PROGRAMS	Change from 2004-05	2004-05 Estimates	2003-04 Actual
\$		\$	\$	\$
OPERATING				
6,112,200	Office of the Chief Election Officer Program	(3,735,400)	9,847,600	63,846,460
6,112,200	Total Operating	(3,735,400)	9,847,600	63,846,460
-	Less: Statutory Appropriations	-	-	59,332,241
6,112,200	< TOTAL OPERATING TO BE VOTED	(3,735,400)	9,847,600	4,514,219
6,112,200	Total Operating	(3,735,400)	9,847,600	63,846,460
6,112,200	TOTAL INCLUDING CONSOLIDATION AND OTHER ADJUSTMENTS	(3,735,400)	9,847,600	63,846,460

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OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ELECTION OFFICER PROGRAM :

The Office conducts general elections and by-elections of Members to the Legislative Assembly and provides research, public information and policy advice relating to the electoral process. The Office also trains, directs and supervises the returning officer in each of the 103 electoral districts.

The Chief Election Officer also administers the *Election Finances Act*. Over 500 Constituency Associations and 9 registered political parties must file annual returns and inform Elections Ontario of any changes to registration information. Any form filed with Elections Ontario is reviewed for compliance with the *Election Finances Act*.

The Office has responsibility to administer referenda under the *Taxpayer Protection Act*.

The Office serves Ministries, agencies and the public on a continuing basis by conducting historical and comparative research and providing policy advice and general information regarding the electoral process.

VOTE and item	2005-06 Estimates	VOTE AND ITEMS	Change from 2004-05	2004-05 Estimates	2003-04 Actual
	\$		\$	\$	\$
501		OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ELECTION OFFICER PROGRAM			
OPERATING					
1	4,219,100	Election Administration	142,800	4,076,300	3,034,385
2	1,893,100	Election Finances Administration	(3,878,200)	5,771,300	1,479,834
S	-	The <i>Election Act</i>	-	-	59,332,241
	<u>6,112,200</u>	Total Operating	<u>(3,735,400)</u>	<u>9,847,600</u>	<u>63,846,460</u>
	-	Less: Statutory Appropriations	-	-	59,332,241
	<u><u>6,112,200</u></u>	Amount to be Voted	<u><u>(3,735,400)</u></u>	<u><u>9,847,600</u></u>	<u><u>4,514,219</u></u>

- NOTES -

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STANDARD ACCOUNTS CLASSIFICATION

OPERATING

Election Administration (501-1)	\$
Salaries and wages	3,472,500
Employee benefits	746,600
	<u>4,219,100</u>
 Election Finances Administration (501-2)	
Salaries and wages	497,700
Employee benefits	107,100
Transportation and communication	42,800
Services	547,200
Supplies and equipment	27,200
Other transactions	
Election Expense Subsidies under the	
<i>Election Finances Act</i>	672,100
	<u>1,894,100</u>
Less: Recoveries	1,000
	<u>1,893,100</u>
Total Operating for Office of the Chief Election	6,112,200
Officer Program	<u><u>6,112,200</u></u>

