

OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL

The Auditor General, who is an Officer of the Assembly, conducts independent audits of government programs, the financial statements of the Province and numerous agencies of the Crown, broader public-sector organizations, and reviews under the authority of the *Auditor General Act* and various other statutes and authorities. The results of these audits and reviews provide assurance, objective information and advice to the Legislative Assembly. In doing so, the Office of the Auditor General assists the Assembly in holding the government, its administrators, and grant recipients accountable for their stewardship of public funds and for the achievement of value-for-money in the delivery of services to the public.

Additionally, under the *Government Advertising Act, 2004*, the Auditor General is required to review specified types of advertising and certain printed matter proposed by government offices to determine whether they meet the standards required by that Act.

Under both Acts, the Auditor General reports the results of the work conducted each year directly to the Legislative Assembly.

MINISTRY PROGRAM SUMMARY

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VOTE PROGRAM	Estimates 2008-09	Estimates 2007-08	Difference Between 2008-09 and 2007-08	Actual 2006-07
OPERATING EXPENSE				
2501 Office of the Auditor General Program	15,885,300	14,920,600	964,700	11,862,246
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSE TO BE VOTED	15,885,300	14,920,600	964,700	11,862,246
Statutory Appropriations	359,400	387,000	(27,600)	400,020
Ministry Total Operating Expense	16,244,700	15,307,600	937,100	12,262,266
Ministry Total Operating and Capital Including Consolidation and Other Adjustments (not including Assets)	16,244,700	15,307,600	937,100	12,262,266

OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL PROGRAM - VOTE 2501

The Auditor General conducts independent value-for-money and financial statement audits under the authority of the *Auditor General Act* and various other statutes and authorities. As well, under the authority of the *Government Advertising Act, 2004*, the Auditor General is required to review government advertising and certain printed matter proposed by government offices to determine if the advertising or printed matter meet the standards required by that Act.

VOTE SUMMARY

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ITEM #	ITEM	Estimates 2008-09	Estimates 2007-08	Difference Between 2008-09 and 2007-08	Actual 2006-07
OPERATING EXPENSE					
1	Office of the Auditor General	15,885,300	14,920,600	964,700	11,862,246
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSE TO BE VOTED		15,885,300	14,920,600	964,700	11,862,246
S	The <i>Auditor General Act</i>	359,400	387,000	(27,600)	400,020
Total Statutory Appropriations		359,400	387,000	(27,600)	400,020
Total Operating Expense		16,244,700	15,307,600	937,100	12,262,266

OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL PROGRAM - VOTE 2501, cont'd

STANDARD ACCOUNTS CLASSIFICATION

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VOTE - ITEM #	STANDARD ACCOUNT BY ITEM AND SUB-ITEMS	
	OPERATING EXPENSE	
2501-1	Office of the Auditor General	
	Salaries and wages	9,588,200
	Employee benefits	2,272,300
	Transportation and communication	418,800
	Services	3,081,800
	Supplies and equipment	474,200
	Transfer payments	
	CCAF-FCVI Inc	50,000
	Total Operating Expense to be Voted	15,885,300
	Statutory Appropriations	
S	The Auditor General Act	359,400
	Total Operating Expense for Office of the Auditor General Program	16,244,700