

# **SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATION BILL (NO. 5) 2024-25**

#### SECOND READING SPEECH

## His Excellency Honourable David Adeang MP

## 8 April 2025

Mr Speaker Sir,

I present before Parliament the Supplementary Appropriation Bill (No. 5) 2024-2025.

This Bill reflects updated revenue and expenditure estimates since the last Supplementary was presented.

#### Revenue increases

We have received \$2.6 million in new revenue related to the Regional Processing Centre from the Government of Australia, which will be recognised in this supplementary.

We have received an additional \$0.9 million related to a prior year debt settlement from Ronphos, that was not previously recognised.

Regarding Expenditure increases:

- **\$2.6 million** is allocated to the Department of Multi-Cultural Affairs, fully utilising the revenue from the Government of Australia, to cover legal and judicial fees associated with Refugee Determination Status processing.
- \$0.9 million is allocated to the Fiscal Cash Buffer to fund future emergent expenditures.

The Supplementary Appropriation recognises additional government revenue and allocates it to current and future operational requirements that are priorities for the Government.

With the passing of this Bill, the approved 2024-25 Budget will recognise total revenue of 3.4 million dollars. It will also appropriate new expenditures of 3.4 million, resulting in a revised budget balance of 0.2 million for the year. Details of the revenue and expenditure are outlined in the supplementary estimates.

Mr Speaker, I commend the Bill to the House.