

STATEMENT IN THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY
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DEPUTY PREMIER AND MINISTER OF DISTRICT
ADMINISTRATION, TOURISM, AND TRANSPORT
STATEMENT ON SECTION 11 (5) APPROPRIATIONS: 2019
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Mr. Speaker, I rise to make a Statement in accordance with Section 11 (6) of the Public Management and Finance Law, in relation to the Section 11 (5) appropriations during the 2019 fiscal year.

2019 Fiscal Year

Madam Speaker, DAT 1 Advice and Support to the Minister for District Administration, Tourism and Transport was increased by \$520,000 in order to fund additional expenses relating to public relations for the proposed development of the Cruise Berthing Facility (\$327,000), and fund consultancy fees for a review of the Cayman Airways Ltd route schedule and aircraft fleet (\$74,000). This increase was partially funded by \$60,000

decrease in EA 144 Public Restrooms, and \$60,000 decrease in CBO 20 Advice and Assistance to the Premier and Administration of the Premier's Office.

Madam Speaker, DAT 8 Tourism Advertising Activities was increased by \$1,000,000 in order to fund additional cost for Creative Destination Filming necessary for Tourism advertising; additional marketing of the CAL Denver Route Launch; and additional Canada Promotions.

The appropriation CAL 2 Strategic Tourism, Regional and Core Air Services was increased by \$1,310,000 in order to fund the Cost of Living Adjustment (\$1,100,000), and fund the new route to Denver, Colorado (\$210,000).

Madam Speaker, TP 66 Sister Islands Home Repairs Assistance was increased by \$320,000 in order to fund additional urgent housing repairs for this fiscal year. This increase was partially funded by \$70,000 decrease in EA 125 Cayman Brac Emergency Shelter.

The line item TP 67 Sports and Cultural Tourism Programmes Assistance was increased by \$365,000 in order to fund additional programmes, specifically the

ongoing Sargassum Clean-up Programme via the Cayman Brac NICE Teams; to assist with ongoing Sports and Cultural Programmes; and for financial assistance for major repairs for the roof of a Church Hall building. This increase was partially funded by \$100,000 decrease in EA 144 Public Restrooms, and \$15,000 in CBO 20 Advice and Assistance to the Premier and Administration of the Premier's Office.

Madam Speaker, EI 68 Ministry of District Administration, Tourism, and Transport was increased by \$900,000 in order to complete project works at District Administration – Continuation of Architectural Design of District Administration Building Renovation, Day Care Building Renovation, Government Cottages Renovations, and Vehicle/Heavy Equipment Fleet Replacement; and National Weather Service – Continuation of Architectural Design of National Weather Service Office.

The line item EA 55 Cayman Brac and Little Cayman Roads was decreased by \$40,000 in order to purchase road frontage land located on Block 98D Parcel 10, adjoining to District Administration (Crown) property.

This decrease was used to increase EA 4 Land Purchase in the same amount.

Madam Speaker, EA 60 Cayman Brac Bluff Playfield was increased by \$500,000 in order to complete the construction of the three Changing Room Buildings at the Brac 25M Swimming Pool Facility; complete the Pool's Chemical Storage Building; and to pay the construction retention funds to the contractors.

Madam Speaker, EA 125 Cayman Brac Emergency Shelter was increased by \$530,000 in order to complete the final stage of construction of the Shelter; fund additional Project Management cost; fund the portable stage/chairs/audio-video equipment necessary for the public use of the facility; and to assist with the partial payment of the final claim settlement with the Contractor.

The appropriation EA 143 Cruise Berthing Facility Project was increased by \$2.2M in order to fund additional design development, professional services, and consultancy fees for legal, financial, and commercial expertise.

Madam Speaker, EA 144 Public Restrooms was increased by \$140,000 in order to complete the construction of Public Restrooms located at West Bay Cemetery Beach, North Side Starfish Point, and East End Wreck of the Ten Sails.

Lastly Madam Speaker, there are appropriation changes to DAT 1 through DAT 14 that relate to re-allocations (from a central budget within the Ministry of Finance), of health insurance premium increases to more accurately reflect the cost of Ministry Output Groups.

Thank you, Mister Speaker.