Draft Regulations laid before the Scottish Parliament under section 7(2) of the Budget (Scotland) Act 2024 for approval by resolution of the Scottish Parliament.

DRAFT SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2024 No.

PUBLIC FINANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY

The Budget (Scotland) Act 2024 Amendment Regulations 2024

Made - - - -	*2024*
Coming into force - -	*2024*

The Scottish Ministers make the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by section 7(1) of the Budget (Scotland) Act 2024(**a**) and all other powers enabling them to do so.

In accordance with section 7(2) of that Act, a draft of these Regulations has been laid before and approved by resolution of the Scottish Parliament.

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Budget (Scotland) Act 2024 Amendment Regulations 2024 and come into force on the day after the day on which they are made.

(2) In these Regulations, "the Act" means the Budget (Scotland) Act 2024.

Amendment of amounts specified in section 4

2. In section 4 (overall cash authorisations) of the Act—

(a) for the amount specified in subsection (2) (the Scottish Administration), substitute "£55,915,390,000",

(b) for the amount specified in subsection (3)(b) (Audit Scotland), substitute "£12,594,000".

Amendment of schedule 1

3.—(1) Schedule 1 (The Scottish Administration) of the Act is amended in accordance with paragraphs (2) and (3).

(2) In column 1 (purposes) of the table—

(a) in relation to purpose 3—

(i) omit "Wellbeing Economy,",

(ii) for the words from "expenditure on committees" to "support for inward trade and investment and exports;", substitute "support of offshore wind supply chain opportunities;",

(iii) omit "Fuel Insecurity Fund; support of offshore wind supply chain opportunities;",

(**a**) 2024 asp 3.

(iv) for "circular economy strategy", substitute "more circular economy",

(v) omit "other environmental expenditure;",

(vi) for "coastal protection;", substitute "improvements to the water environment;",

(vii) omit "the National Park authorities;",

(viii) omit "; the Green Jobs Fund; the Green Growth Accelerator",

(b) in relation to purpose 4—

(i) omit "the Gaelic language; Bòrd na Gàidhlig; Gaelic Media Service (MG Alba); the Scots language;",

(ii) omit "running costs of the Scottish Child Abuse Inquiry;",

(iii) for "financial redress for survivors of child abuse in care; central government grants to local authorities for Gaelic education,", substitute "supporting Children's Services planning and reform; central government grants to local authorities for",

(iv) for "Administration, Scottish", substitute "Administration and Scottish",

(v) omit "and Redress Scotland",

(vi) omit "activities associated with the Chief Scientific Adviser for Scotland and the Scottish Science Advisory Council, and",

(c) in relation to purpose 7, after "land" where it last occurs insert "; the National Park authorities",

(d) in relation to purpose 9—

(i) for "Deputy First Minister and Finance", substitute "Finance and Local Government",

(ii) after "expenditure" where it first occurs insert ", funding",

(iii) omit "funding to support the central performance, delivery and resilience functions of the Scottish Government; funding to support electoral administration; funding of Boundaries Scotland;",

(iv) omit "running costs of the Scottish COVID-19 public inquiry as well as costs of responding to both the Scottish and UK inquiries;",

(v) omit "funding of a strategy function which supports effective policy across the Scottish Government;",

(vi) after "for Scotland" insert "; the operation of the planning system to manage the development and use of land in the long term public interest together with implementing improvements to build capacity in the system.",

(e) after purpose 10 insert—

"**10A.** Through their Deputy First Minister, Economy and Gaelic portfolio, for use by the Scottish Ministers on: operational and administrative costs; expenditure on committees, commissions and other portfolio services; support for Growth Accelerator programme; grant in aid for Scottish Enterprise, Highlands and Islands Enterprise and South of Scotland Enterprise; industry, innovation, entrepreneurship and technology/digital grants and support for low carbon economy; sundry enterprise-related activities; expenditure in relation to the running costs of the Office of the Chief Economic Adviser; grant in aid for the Scottish National Investment Bank; European Structural Fund grants to the Enterprise Networks, local authorities, further and higher education institutions, third sector bodies and other eligible bodies and organisations; costs of delivery and evaluation of European Structural Fund; funding for employment support, learning opportunities, workforce development and supporting fair work principles; funding for City and Regional Growth Deals; support for Ferguson Marine; VisitScotland; tourism; digital and broadband connectivity; support for inward trade and investment and exports; the Gaelic language; Bòrd na Gàidhlig; Gaelic Media Service (MG Alba); the Scots language; funding of a strategy function which supports effective policy-making across the Scottish Government; running costs of the Scottish Child Abuse Inquiry; grant in aid for Redress Scotland; financial redress for

survivors of child abuse in care; central government grants to local authorities for Gaelic education; activities associated with the Chief Scientific Adviser for Scotland and the Scottish Science Advisory Council; funding to support the central performance, delivery and resilience functions of the Scottish Government; funding to support electoral administration; funding of Boundaries Scotland; running costs of the Scottish COVID-19 public inquiry as well as costs of responding to both the Scottish and UK inquiries.".

(3) In column 2 (amount of resources, other than accruing resources (£)) of the table—

(a) for the amount specified—

(i) in relation to purpose 1, substitute "19,707,042,000",

(ii) in relation to purpose 2, substitute "7,321,414,000",

(iii) in relation to purpose 3, substitute "751,009,000",

(iv) in relation to purpose 4, substitute "4,537,774,000",

(v) in relation to purpose 5, substitute "3,596,197,000",

(vi) in relation to purpose 6, substitute "3,656,851,000",

(vii) in relation to purpose 7, substitute "1,099,984,000",

(viii) in relation to purpose 8, substitute "281,153,000",

(ix) in relation to purpose 9, substitute "13,989,516,000",

(x) in relation to purpose 10, substitute "225,405,000",

(xi) in relation to added purpose 10A, insert "1,414,890,000",

(xii) in relation to purpose 11, substitute "35,113,000",

(xiii) in relation to purpose 14, substitute "190,252,000",

(xiv) in relation to purpose 17, substitute "23,433,000",

(xv) in relation to purpose 18, substitute "3,422,406,000",

(xvi) in relation to purpose 20, substitute "2,920,000",

(xvii) in relation to purpose 21, substitute "4,073,000",

(b) in the final row, in relation to the total amount of resources, substitute "60,292,330,000".

(4) In column 3 (amount of accruing resources (£)), for the amount specified—

(a) in relation to added purpose 10A, insert "150,000,000",

(b) in the final row, in relation to the total of amounts of resources, substitute "8,794,500,000".

Amendment of schedule 2

4. In schedule 2 (Direct-Funded Bodies) of the Act, in the table, in column 2 (amount of resources other than accruing resources (£)), for the amount specified in relation to purpose 2, substitute "13,589,000".

Name
Authorised to sign by the Scottish Ministers

St Andrew's House,
Edinburgh
Date

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the Budget (Scotland) Act 2024 ("the Act").

Regulation 2 amends the overall cash authorisations specified in section 4 of the Act.

Regulation 3(2) amends purposes 3, 4, 7 and 9, and adds a new purpose 10A, in schedule 1 of the Act for which the Scottish Ministers may use resources in the financial year 2024/25.

Regulation 3(3) amends the amounts of resources other than accruing resources that may be used for purposes 1 to 11, 14, 17, 18, 20 and 21, and inserts an amount in relation to new purpose 10A in schedule 1 of the Act. It also amends the total amount of resources for all the purposes in that schedule.

Regulation 3(4) inserts the amount of accruing resources that may be used for new purpose 10A, in schedule 1 to the Act. It also amends the total amounts of those resources for all the purposes in that schedule.

Regulation 4 amends the amount of resources other than accruing resources that may be used by Audit Scotland in schedule 2 of the Act.

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