

**LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY AND EXECUTIVE COUNCIL ACT**

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**ESTABLISHMENT OF DEPARTMENTS AND RESPONSIBILITY FOR ACTS  
REGULATIONS**

The Commissioner in Executive Council, on the recommendation of the Premier and, where applicable, with the consent of the Speaker, under sections 67.1 and 67.2 of the *Legislative Assembly and Executive Council Act* and every enabling power, makes the annexed *Establishment of Departments and Responsibility for Acts Regulations*.

Departments

1. (1) In addition to the Department of Justice established under the *Department of Justice Act*, the following departments of the Government of Nunavut are established:

- (a) the Department of Community and Government Services;
- (b) the Department of Culture and Heritage;
- (c) the Department of Economic Development and Transportation;
- (d) the Department of Education;
- (e) the Department of Environment;
- (f) the Department of Executive and Intergovernmental Affairs;
- (g) the Department of Family Services;
- (h) the Department of Finance;
- (i) the Department of Health;
- (j) the Department of Human Resources.

(2) Departments are assigned responsibilities, other than responsibility for the administration of Acts, in accordance with Schedule A.

Responsibility for the administration of Acts

2. (1) Subject to this section, responsibility for the administration of Acts is assigned in accordance with Schedule B.

(2) If a provision of an Act specifies the Minister that is to exercise a function, that Minister and their department or public agency is responsible for the administration of the provision and related provisions for the purpose of the exercise of the function.

(3) If a provision of an Act provides for the Premier or Executive Council to exercise a function, the Minister and Department of Executive and Intergovernmental Affairs are responsible for the administration of the provision and related provisions for the purpose of the exercise of the function.

(4) If a provision of an Act provides for the Financial Management Board to exercise a function, the Minister and Department of Finance is responsible for the administration of the provision and related provisions for the purpose of the exercise of the function.

(5) For greater certainty, nothing in this section or the Schedule affects existing prerogatives with respect to the introduction of Bills, including amending Bills, in the Legislative Assembly by a member of the Legislative Assembly, including a Minister.

SCHEDULE A

(Section 1)

COMMUNITY AND GOVERNMENT SERVICES

1. The Department of Community and Government Services is responsible for
  - (a) government-wide procurement services and corresponding logistics supports;
  - (b) government-wide information and communications technology;
  - (c) delivery of capital projects,
    - (i) including hamlet infrastructure, but
    - (ii) not including transportation facilities;
  - (d) government facilities and asset management;
  - (e) public records management, other than the Nunavut Archives and the Public Records Committee;
  - (f) purchase, import, storage and delivery of petroleum products;
  - (g) consumer affairs;
  - (h) technical professional studies programs, other than trades and occupations certification;
  - (i) telecommunications;
  - (j) technical services for government and municipal buildings and works;
  - (k) government real property;
  - (l) government utilities management;
  - (m) safety services including
    - (i) building, demolition and occupancy permits and related inspections, and
    - (ii) technical standards and safety;
  - (n) services to and programs for municipalities;
  - (o) amateur sports and recreation;
  - (p) property assessment; and
  - (q) emergency management services, including
    - (i) business continuity,
    - (ii) fire prevention, and
    - (iii) search and rescue.

CULTURE AND HERITAGE

2. The Department of Culture and Heritage is responsible for
  - (a) government-wide alignment with Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit and Inuit societal values;
  - (b) government-wide official language strategies and policies;
  - (c) government-wide translation services;
  - (d) government-wide language training;
  - (e) protection, promotion and revitalization of the Inuit Language;
  - (f) relations with the Inuit Uqausinginnik Taiguusiliuqtiit;

- (g) conservation, protection, promotion and enhancement of culture, heritage and historical resources;
- (h) supporting community-lead projects that promote Inuit societal values;
- (i) public transfer of Inuit Qaujimagatuqangit, particularly from Elders to youth;
- (j) archaeology and palaeontology;
- (k) toponymy;
- (l) Nunavut Archives; and
- (m) public libraries.

### ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TRANSPORTATION

3. The Department of Economic Development and Transportation is responsible for
- (a) economic and business development;
  - (b) supports to industry;
  - (c) sustainable development, diversification and promotion of primary industries;
  - (d) fisheries and sealing;
  - (e) geoscience and prospecting;
  - (f) distribution of country food;
  - (g) tourism and cultural industries;
  - (h) media, including film and television;
  - (i) national and international trade relations;
  - (j) transportation, including transportation infrastructure;
  - (k) development of transportation facility capital projects;
  - (l) providing support to the Nunavut Development Corporation and the Nunavut Business Credit Corporation;
  - (m) motor vehicles; and
  - (n) general identification cards.

### EDUCATION

4. The Department of Education is responsible for
- (a) primary and secondary education, including
    - (i) supports to district education authorities,
    - (ii) relations with the Coalition of Nunavut District Education Authorities,
    - (iii) recruitment and retention of teachers,
    - (iv) teacher certification,
    - (v) use of public school facilities,
    - (vi) public school programs, and
    - (vii) regulation of private school facilities and programs;
  - (b) regulation of early childhood education and child day care facilities and programs;
  - (c) regulation of adult learning, including post-secondary education; and
  - (d) student financial assistance.

## ENVIRONMENT

5. The Department of Environment is responsible for
- (a) environmental protection and environmental compliance;
  - (b) environmental science;
  - (c) environmental assessment;
  - (d) land use planning;
  - (e) wildlife management, including wildlife research;
  - (f) relations with Hunters and Trappers Organizations and Regional Wildlife Organizations;
  - (g) seal and fur purchase programs;
  - (h) territorial parks;
  - (i) protected areas;
  - (j) climate change adaptation and mitigation; and
  - (k) geographic information.

## EXECUTIVE AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

6. The Department of Executive and Intergovernmental Affairs is responsible for
- (a) management and coordination of the activities, responsibilities and business planning of the Government of Nunavut;
  - (b) government-wide strategic communications planning;
  - (c) coordination of relations with the federal government, provincial governments and other territorial governments;
  - (d) devolution;
  - (e) sustainable development;
  - (f) implementation and negotiation of agreements with Indigenous peoples and organizations, including the Nunavut Agreement;
  - (g) relationships with Indigenous, circumpolar and related international organizations, including Nunavut Tunngavik Incorporated and Regional Inuit Organizations;
  - (h) coordination of international relations;
  - (i) Government Liaison Officers;
  - (j) immigration;
  - (k) protocol;
  - (l) access to information and protection of privacy;
  - (m) statistics;
  - (n) the Cabinet Secretariat;
  - (o) the Senior Personnel Secretariat;
  - (p) administrative support to the Utility Rates Review Council; and
  - (q) administrative support to the Premier's Office, Ministers' Offices and the Commissioner's Office.

## FAMILY SERVICES

7. The Department of Family Service is responsible for
- (a) child protection;
  - (b) family support services including
    - (i) counselling,
    - (ii) in-home parenting support,
    - (iii) respite care,
    - (iv) parenting programs, and
    - (v) other family support services to assist the family to deal with the illness of a child or another family member;
  - (c) adoption and foster care;
  - (d) youth support services;
  - (e) poverty reduction;
  - (f) food security;
  - (g) protection of vulnerable adults, other than guardianship;
  - (h) income assistance and other benefit programs;
  - (i) career and labour market training;
  - (j) trades and occupations certification;
  - (k) emergency and transitional housing;
  - (l) residential care, other than those provided by the Department of Health;
  - (m) social service facilities;
  - (n) family violence services;
  - (o) adult support services;
  - (p) other assistance to individuals, families, groups and communities;
  - (q) family wellness; and
  - (r) labour market programs.

## FINANCE

8. The Department of Finance is responsible for
- (a) providing support to the Financial Management Board;
  - (b) fiscal policy;
  - (c) government finances, including comptrollership;
  - (d) government-wide expenditure management;
  - (e) government-wide internal audit;
  - (f) taxation including tax credits and benefits;
  - (g) insurance;
  - (h) liquor and cannabis management;
  - (i) compensation and benefits for public servants;
  - (j) energy subsidies; and
  - (k) supports to public agencies.

## HEALTH

9. The Department of Health is responsible for
- (a) public health;
  - (b) health care, mental health, personal care, rehabilitation, addictions and trauma-related services, including
    - (i) hospitals and other health facilities,
    - (ii) referrals to out-of-territory services, and
    - (iii) home and community care;
  - (c) medical transportation;
  - (d) oral health and dental care;
  - (e) residential long-term care;
  - (f) suicide prevention, intervention and postvention;
  - (g) healing programs;
  - (h) regulation of health professions;
  - (i) health information;
  - (j) health insurance; and
  - (k) vital statistics.

## HUMAN RESOURCES

10. The Department of Human Resources is responsible for
- (a) government-wide human resources, including
    - (i) staffing,
    - (ii) employee relations,
    - (iii) job evaluation,
    - (iv) organizational design,
    - (v) location of public service positions,
    - (vi) summer student employment,
    - (vii) employee wellness, and
    - (viii) collective bargaining;
  - (b) government-wide Inuit employment initiatives, including
    - (i) the Priority Hiring Policy,
    - (ii) internships,
    - (iii) mentoring programs,
    - (iv) development of the Master Inuit Employment Plan,
    - (v) support of departmental Inuit employment plans,
    - (vi) training programs specifically designed for Inuit employees,
  - (c) public service training;
  - (d) pre-employment training for government employment;
  - (e) relocation of public servants; and
  - (f) allocation of staff housing.

JUSTICE

11. The Department of Justice is responsible for
- (a) for greater certainty, all matters related to the duties of the Minister of Justice and the Attorney General for Nunavut under the *Department of Justice Act*;
  - (b) public safety and crime prevention;
  - (c) territorial policing;
  - (d) civil forfeiture;
  - (e) administration of justice;
  - (f) registrars, clerks and other officers in bankruptcy;
  - (g) law libraries;
  - (h) family mediation;
  - (i) family support enforcement;
  - (j) assistance and services to victims of crime;
  - (k) human rights;
  - (l) government-wide legal and legislative services;
  - (m) correctional facilities, including
    - (i) correctional centres,
    - (ii) on-the-land camp operations, and
    - (iii) open-custody homes;
  - (n) probation and parole services;
  - (o) support to the Nunavut Criminal Code Review Board;
  - (p) community justice;
  - (q) guardianship and trusteeship;
  - (r) coroners;
  - (s) labour standards;
  - (t) residential tenancies;
  - (u) legal registries; and
  - (v) relations with the Legal Services Board.



SCHEDULE B

(Section 2)

COMMUNITY AND GOVERNMENT SERVICES

1. The Minister and Department of Community and Government Services are, subject to the listed exception, responsible for the administration of the following Acts:

<b>Name of Act</b>	<b>Exceptions</b>
<i>Boilers and Pressure Vessels Act</i>	
<i>Building Code Act</i>	
<i>Business Licence Act</i>	
<i>Cities, Towns and Villages Act</i>	
<i>Commissioner's Land Act</i>	
<i>Conflict of Interest Act</i>	
<i>Consumer Protection Act</i>	
<i>Curfew Act</i>	
<i>Dog Act</i>	
<i>Electrical Protection Act</i>	
<i>Emergency Measures Act</i>	
<i>Employment Agencies Act</i>	
<i>Fire Safety Act</i>	
<i>Gas Protection Act</i>	
<i>Hamlets Act</i>	
<i>Lotteries Act</i>	
<i>Northern Employee Benefits Services Pension Plan Act</i>	
<i>Pawnbrokers and Second-Hand Dealers Act</i>	
<i>Planning Act</i>	
<i>Property Assessment and Taxation Act</i>	The Minister and Department of Finance are responsible for the administration of the provisions of the Act relating to the exercise of the functions of the Collector of Taxes.
<i>Real Estate Agents' Licensing Act</i>	
<i>Religious Societies Land Act</i>	
<i>Settlements Act</i>	
<i>Technical Standards and Safety Act</i>	
<i>Western Canada Lottery Act</i>	

CULTURE AND HERITAGE

2. The Minister and Department of Culture and Heritage are responsible for the administration of the following Acts:

<b>Name of Act</b>
<i>Archives Act</i>
<i>Historical Resources Act</i>
<i>Library Act</i>

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TRANSPORTATION

3. The Minister and Department of Economic Development and Transportation are, subject to the listed exception, responsible for the administration of the following Acts:

<b>Name of Act</b>	<b>Exceptions</b>
<i>All-Terrain Vehicle Act</i>	
<i>Co-operative Association Act</i>	The Minister and Department of Justice are responsible for the administration of the provisions of the Act relating to the exercise of the functions of the Registrar of Co-operative Associations and subsection 2(1), sections 35 and 36, subsection 50(2) and paragraphs 57(a) and (d).
<i>Film Classification Act</i>	
<i>Freshwater Fish Marketing Act</i>	
<i>Nunavummi Nangminiaqtunik Ikajuuti Implementation Act</i>	
<i>Nunavut Business Credit Corporation Act</i>	
<i>Nunavut Development Corporation Act</i>	
<i>Public Highways Act</i>	
<i>Tourism Act</i>	
<i>Traffic Safety Act</i>	
<i>Transportation of Dangerous Goods Act</i>	

## EDUCATION

4. The Minister and Department of Education are responsible for the administration of the following Acts:

<b>Name of Act</b>
<i>Child Day Care Act</i>
<i>Education Act</i>
<i>Interim Language of Instruction Act</i>
<i>Nunavut Teachers' Association Act</i>
<i>Student Financial Assistance Act</i>
<i>Universities and Degree-Granting Institutions Act</i>

## ENVIRONMENT

5. The Minister and Department of Environment are responsible for the administration of the following Acts:

<b>Name of Act</b>
<i>Environmental Protection Act</i>
<i>Environmental Rights Act</i>
<i>Forest Management Act</i>
<i>Forest Protection Act</i>
<i>Herd and Fencing Act</i>
<i>Pesticide Act</i>
<i>Territorial Parks Act</i>
<i>Water Resources Agreements Act</i>
<i>Wildlife Act</i>

## EXECUTIVE AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

6. The Minister and Department of Executive and Intergovernmental Affairs are, subject to the listed exception, responsible for the administration of the following Acts:

<b>Name of Act</b>	<b>Exceptions</b>
<i>Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act</i>	The Legislative Assembly and its Speaker are responsible for Division A of Part 4 of the Act.
<i>Nunavut Power Corporation Utility Assets Transfer Confirmation Act</i>	
<i>Statistics Act</i>	

## FAMILY SERVICES

7. The Minister and Department of Family Services are responsible for the administration of the following Acts:

<b>Name of Act</b>
<i>Aboriginal Custom Adoption Recognition Act</i>
<i>Adoption Act</i>
<i>Apprenticeship and Certification Act</i>
<i>Apprenticeship, Trade and Occupations Certification Act</i>
<i>Child and Family Services Act</i>
<i>Collaboration on Poverty Reduction Act</i>
<i>Income Assistance Act</i>
<i>Intercountry Adoption (Hague Convention) Act</i>
<i>Occupational Training Agreements Act</i>
<i>Senior Citizens Benefit Act</i>

## FINANCE

8. (1) The Minister and Department of Finance are responsible for the administration of Acts relating to appropriations, loan authorizations, forgiveness of debts and the write off or write down of assets and debts.

(2) The Minister and Department of Finance are responsible for the administration of the following Acts:

<b>Name of Act</b>
<i>Beneficiaries Designation Act (Retirement, Savings and Other Plans)</i>
<i>Borrowing Authorization Act</i>
<i>Cannabis Act</i>
<i>Chartered Professional Accountants Act</i>
<i>Credit Union Act</i>
<i>Financial Administration Act</i>
<i>Financial Agreement Act</i>
<i>Home Owners Property Tax Rebate Act</i>
<i>Income Tax Act</i>
<i>Income Tax Collection Agreement</i>

<i>Questions Act</i>
<i>Insurance Act</i>
<i>Liquor Act</i>
<i>Liquor Tax Act</i>
<i>Payroll Tax Act</i>
<i>Petroleum Products Tax Act</i>
<i>Public Service Garnishee Act</i>
<i>Purchasing Management Association Act</i>
<i>Revolving Funds Act</i>
<i>Risk Capital Investment Tax Credits Act</i>
<i>Senior Citizens and Disabled Persons Property Tax Relief Act</i>
<i>Tobacco Tax Act</i>

## HEALTH

9. The Minister and Department of Health are, subject to the listed exception, responsible for the administration of the following Acts:

<b>Name of Act</b>	<b>Exceptions</b>
<i>Boards of Management Dissolution Act</i>	
<i>Camp Health Services Act</i>	
<i>Dental Auxiliaries Act</i>	
<i>Dental Mechanics Act</i>	
<i>Dental Profession Act</i>	
<i>Donation of Food Act</i>	
<i>Emergency Medical Aid Act</i>	
<i>Hospital Insurance and Health and Social Services Administration Act</i>	The Minister and Department of Family Services are responsible for the administration of the Act with respect to social services facilities, other than suicide prevention services, and with respect to the appointment of and the exercise of the functions of inspectors, auditors and Public Administrators for those social services facilities.
<i>Human Tissue Act</i>	
<i>Medical Care Act</i>	
<i>Medical Profession Act,</i> R.S.N.W.T. 1988,c.M-9	
<i>Medical Profession Act,</i> S.Nu. 2020,c.16	

<i>Mental Health Act, R.S.N.W.T. 1988,c.M-10</i>	
<i>Mental Health Act, S.Nu. 2021,c.19</i>	
<i>Midwifery Profession Act</i>	
<i>Nursing Professions Act</i>	
<i>Ophthalmic Medical Assistants Act</i>	
<i>Optometry Act</i>	
<i>Pharmacy Act</i>	
<i>Psychologists Act</i>	
<i>Public Health Act</i>	
<i>Tobacco and Smoking Act</i>	
<i>Tobacco Control and Smoke-Free Places Act</i>	
<i>Veterinary Profession Act</i>	
<i>Vital Statistics Act</i>	

### HUMAN RESOURCES

10. The Minister and Department of Human Resources are responsible for the administration of the following Act:

<b>Name of Act</b>
<i>Nunavut Employees Union Act</i>
<i>Public Service Act</i>

### JUSTICE

11. The Minister of Justice and Department of Justice are responsible for the administration of the following Acts:

<b>Name of Act</b>
<i>Age of Majority Act</i>
<i>Arbitration Act</i>
<i>Business Corporations Act</i>
<i>Change of Name Act</i>
<i>Children's Law Act</i>
<i>Choses in Action Act</i>
<i>Commercial Tenancies Act</i>
<i>Condominium Act</i>
<i>Contributory Negligence Act</i>
<i>Coroners Act</i>
<i>Corrections Act</i>
<i>Creditors Relief Act</i>
<i>Defamation Act</i>

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<i>Department of Justice Act</i>
<i>Dependents Relief Act</i>
<i>Devolution of Real Property Act</i>
<i>Electronic Commerce Act</i>
<i>Engineers and Geoscientists Act</i>
<i>Evidence Act</i>
<i>Exemptions Act</i>
<i>Expropriation Act</i>
<i>Factors Act</i>
<i>Family Abuse Intervention Act</i>
<i>Family Law Act</i>
<i>Family Support Orders Enforcement Act</i>
<i>Fatal Accidents Act</i>
<i>Fine Option Act</i>
<i>Frustrated Contracts Act</i>
<i>Garage Keepers Lien Act</i>
<i>Guardianship and Trusteeship Act</i>
<i>Hotel Keepers Act</i>
<i>Human Rights Act</i>
<i>Interjurisdictional Subpoena Act</i>
<i>Interjurisdictional Support Orders Act</i>
<i>International Child Abduction Act</i>
<i>International Commercial Arbitration Act</i>
<i>International Interest in Mobile Aircraft Equipment Act</i>
<i>International Sales Convention Act</i>
<i>Intestate Succession Act</i>
<i>Judicature Act</i>
<i>Jury Act</i>
<i>Justices of the Peace Act</i>
<i>Labour Standards Act</i>
<i>Land Titles Act</i>
<i>Legal Profession Act</i>
<i>Legal Questions Act</i>
<i>Legal Services Act</i>
<i>Legal Treatment of Apologies Act</i>
<i>Legislation Act</i>
<i>Limitation of Actions Act</i>
<i>Marriage Act</i>
<i>Married Women's Property Act</i>
<i>Mechanics Lien Act</i>
<i>Miners Lien Act</i>

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<i>Opioid Damages and Health Care Costs Recovery Act</i>
<i>Partnership Act</i>
<i>Perpetuities Act</i>
<i>Personal Property Security Act</i>
<i>Powers of Attorney Act</i>
<i>Presumption of Death Act</i>
<i>Public Inquiries Act</i>
<i>Public Trustee Act</i>
<i>Reciprocal Enforcement of Judgments Act</i>
<i>Reciprocal Enforcement of Judgments (Canada-U.K.) Act</i>
<i>Residential Tenancies Act</i>
<i>Royal Canadian Mounted Police Agreement Act</i>
<i>Sale of Goods Act</i>
<i>Securities Act</i>
<i>Securities Transfer Act</i>
<i>Seizures Act</i>
<i>Settlement of International Investment Disputes Act</i>
<i>Societies Act</i>
<i>Summary Conviction Procedures Act</i>
<i>Survivorship Act</i>
<i>Tenants in Common Act</i>
<i>Tobacco Damages and Health Care Costs Recovery Act</i>
<i>Trustee Act</i>
<i>Unlawful Property Forfeiture Act</i>
<i>Variation of Trusts Act</i>
<i>Victims of Crime Act</i>
<i>Wages Recovery Act</i>
<i>Warehouse Keepers Lien Act</i>
<i>Wills Act</i>
<i>Young Offenders Act</i>



## LANGUAGES

12. The Minister of Languages and Department of Culture and Heritage are, subject to the listed exceptions, responsible for the administration of the following Acts:

Name of Act	Exceptions
<i>Inuit Language Protection Act</i>	The Minister and Department of Education are responsible for the administration of sections 8 and 9 of the Act.
<i>Official Languages Act</i>	The Legislative Assembly and its Speaker are responsible for the administration of the provisions of the Act related to the appointment of the Languages Commissioner and the exercise of the functions of the Languages Commissioner.

## STATUS OF WOMEN

13. The Minister responsible for the Status of Women and the Department of Family Services are responsible for the administration of the *Qullit Nunavut Status of Women Council Act*.

## UTILITY RATES REVIEW COUNCIL

14. The Minister responsible for the Utility Rates Review Council and the Department of Executive and Intergovernmental Affairs are responsible for the administration of the *Utility Rates Review Council Act*.

## NUNAVUT ARCTIC COLLEGE

15. The Minister responsible for Nunavut Arctic College and the Nunavut Arctic College are responsible for the administration of the following Acts:

Name of Act
<i>Nunavut Arctic College Act</i>
<i>Scientists Act</i>

NUNAVUT HOUSING CORPORATION

16. The Minister responsible for the Nunavut Housing Corporation and the Nunavut Housing Corporation are, subject to the listed exception, responsible for the administration of the following Act:

Name of Act	Exceptions
<i>Nunavut Housing Corporation Act</i>	The Minister and Department of Human Resources are responsible for issuing or establishing written directions and policy guidelines under subsection 5(2) of the Act with respect to staff housing for public servants.

QULLIQ ENERGY CORPORATION

17. The Minister responsible for Qulliq Energy Corporation and the Qulliq Energy Corporation are responsible for the administration of the *Qulliq Energy Corporation Act*.

WORKERS' SAFETY AND COMPENSATION COMMISSION

18. The Minister responsible for the Workers' Safety and Compensation Commission and the Workers' Safety and Compensation Commission are responsible for the administration of the administration of the following Acts:

Name of Act
<i>Explosives Use Act</i>
<i>Mine Health and Safety Act</i>
<i>Safety Act</i>
<i>Workers' Compensation Act</i>

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

19. The Legislative Assembly and its Speaker are responsible for the administration of following Acts:

<b>Name of Act</b>
<i>Flag of Nunavut Act</i>
<i>Floral Emblem Act</i>
<i>Integrity Act</i>
<i>Legislative Assembly and Executive Council Act</i>
<i>Legislative Assembly Retiring Allowances Act</i>
<i>Nunavut Elections Act</i>
<i>Order of Nunavut Act</i>
<i>Plebiscites Act</i>
<i>Representative for Children and Youth Act</i>
<i>Supplementary Retiring Allowance Act</i>