Date Established Chief Commissioner or Chairman Province and Nature of Commission ONTARIO To study and inquire into the laws of Ontario for The Hon. Chief Justice May 21, 1964 soury and inquire into the laws of Ontario 107 the purpose of determining how far there may be unjustified encroachment on the personal freedoma, rights and liberties of Canadian citi-zens and others resident in Ontario by the government or bodies exercising authority under or administering the laws of the province and JAMES CHALMERS MCRUER. or administering the laws of the province, and to recommend such changes in the laws, procedures and processes as may be necessary and desirable to safeguard such fundamental and basic rights, liberties and freedoms of the individual from infringement by the State or any other body. To inquire into the causes of the recent fluctuations Hon. Justice ARTHUR KELLY Aug. 13, 1964 in the prices and shares of Windfall Oils & Mines Ltd. and other mining corporations in relation to the recent mineral discoveries in the Timmins area; activities pertaining to the dealings in shares of such corporations: and activities of the Toronto Stock Exchange and the Ontario Securities Commission in connection therewith. To inquire into the affairs of Farmers' Allied Meat Hon. Justice CAMPBELL GRANT.... Mar. 9, 1965 Enterprises Co-operative Limited. MANITOBA To inquire into real property mortgage loan trans-G. P. R. TALLIN. May 27, 1964 actions. The Hon. Chief Justice To inquire into Grand Rapids water haulage Dec. 24, 1964 G. E. TRITSCHLER. SASKATCHEWAN To inquire into and report on organization and ad-F. W. JOHNSON..... July 7, 1964 ministrative problems or areas which are of concern to all or a number of departments. agencies, boards or commissions of the Govern-

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ment of Saskatchewan.

Section 1.—Financial Administration*

The financial affairs of the Government of Canada are administered and controlled under the fundamental principles that no tax shall be imposed and no money shall be spent without the authority of Parliament and that expenditures shall be made only for the purposes authorized by Parliament. The most important constitutional provisions relating to Parliament's control of finances are contained in the British North America Act; this Act provides that all taxing and appropriating measures must originate in the House of Commons and all requests for grants must come from the Crown through responsible Ministers, and for such requests the Government is solely responsible. In practice, financial control is exercised through a budgetary system based on the principle that all the financial needs of the Government for each fiscal year be considered at one time so that both the current condition and the prospective condition of the public treasury are clearly in evidence.

Estimates and Appropriations.—In the latter part of the calendar year, at the request of the Minister of Finance, each of the several departments prepares its estimates for the following fiscal year and submits them by a specified date to the Treasury Board.

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