

TOPIC: The Public Accounts Committee: Pursing integrity and effectiveness in
Trinidad and Tobago Public Service

ABSTRACT

Trinidad and Tobago parliament's Public Accounts Committee are expounded in Section 119 [4] of the Constitution of the Republic and reports of the government expenditure and administration.

However, despite the Committee's prominence among the instruments parliament had used to oversight the Executive, not only does it lack clear legislative authority for major areas of its activities but its specific purpose is not defined in its legislation.

This paper attempts to examine the Committee underlying aim i.e. a purpose not concerning the public accounts per se, but directed at achieving high standards of management and administration by calling the public service to account for its expenditure and activities.

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