

# Emerging Practices in Intergovernmental Functional Assignment: Routledge Studies on Public Budgeting and Financial Management

This book provides a comprehensive overview of the emerging practices in intergovernmental functional assignment, which is the allocation of functional responsibilities between different levels of government. The book examines the theoretical and practical aspects of functional assignment, and provides case studies from around the world.

## Theoretical Perspectives on Functional Assignment

The book begins with a discussion of the theoretical perspectives on functional assignment. These perspectives include:



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- The traditional view, which holds that functional assignment should be based on the principle of subsidiarity, which states that decisions should be made at the lowest level of government possible.
- The efficiency view, which holds that functional assignment should be based on the principle of efficiency, which states that decisions should be made at the level of government that can most efficiently provide the service.
- The equity view, which holds that functional assignment should be based on the principle of equity, which states that decisions should be made at the level of government that can most equitably distribute the benefits and costs of the service.

## **Practical Aspects of Functional Assignment**

The book then examines the practical aspects of functional assignment.

These aspects include:

- The process of functional assignment, which involves identifying the functions to be assigned, determining the level of government that will be responsible for each function, and developing the necessary intergovernmental agreements.
- The challenges of functional assignment, which include the need to balance the principles of subsidiarity, efficiency, and equity, and the need to address the political and institutional factors that can affect functional assignment.
- The benefits of functional assignment, which include the potential to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of government, and the potential to enhance citizen participation and accountability.

## **Case Studies of Functional Assignment**

The book concludes with a series of case studies of functional assignment from around the world. These case studies provide real-world examples of how functional assignment has been implemented in different countries and contexts. The case studies cover a wide range of functional areas, including education, health care, social welfare, and environmental protection.

This book is a valuable resource for anyone interested in the emerging practices in intergovernmental functional assignment. The book provides a comprehensive overview of the theoretical and practical aspects of functional assignment, and provides case studies from around the world. The book is essential reading for scholars, practitioners, and policymakers who are interested in improving the efficiency and effectiveness of government.

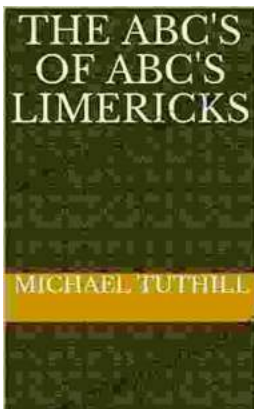
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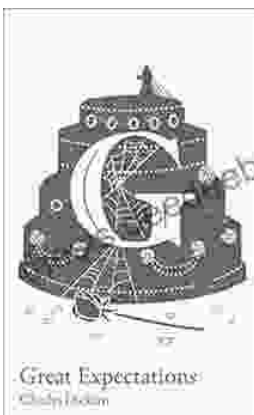


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