

SURVEYORS BILL 2003

EXPLANATORY NOTES

FOR

AMENDMENTS TO BE MOVED IN COMMITTEE BY THE HONOURABLE STEPHEN ROBERTSON MP

Title of the Bill

Surveyors Bill 2003

Objectives of the Amendment

The amendment will broaden the scope for persons to be nominated to the Surveyors Board of Queensland. Clause 12(3) will be amended by adding further criteria under which registered persons might be nominated for Board appointment.

Estimated Cost for Government Implementation

There are no costs implications for the Government or the Board attaching to this Bill.

Consistency with Fundamental Legislative Principles

The Bill is consistent with fundamental legislative principles.

Consultation

This Bill emanated from an approach made by the Institution of Engineering and Mining Surveyors Queensland in regard to member opportunities to be nominated to the Board. Significant numbers of recent

applications have been made from their institution membership for registration with the Board.

The Queensland Surveyors Board and other surveying entities have been approached and are comfortable with the broadening of the criteria along the lines proposed in the Bill.

NOTES ON PROVISIONS

Clause 12 (3)[Omit, Insert]

This amendment broadens the provisions for nominees to the Queensland Surveyors Board so that recently registered and appropriate surveyors might be nominated for consideration as members to the Board. These surveyors might otherwise have been prevented from being nominated by the Bill's five year registration requirement.

The objective of this amendment will be achieved by permitting registered surveyors with many years experience as a registered person with the former Board of Examiners or longstanding membership of an appropriate surveying entity, to be nominated for consideration as members of the Board. In both cases the registration or membership need not necessarily be held over a non-interrupted period.

There are no other ways of achieving the objectives of this amendment. The Surveyors Bill 2003 restricts nominees to the Board to those surveyors who have been registered (with that Board) for more than five years. The Minister or Governor in Council could not recommend or appoint a person unless the five year requirement was satisfied.