

Queensland

Security Providers Amendment Regulation (No. 1) 2011

Explanatory Notes for SL 2011 No. 86

made under the *Security Providers Act 1993*

General outline

Short title

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Authorising law

Section 10(9) of the Security Providers Act 1993, as inserted by Part 3 of the Fair Trading (Australian Consumer Law) Amendment Act 2010 and Section 27 of the Security Providers Act 1993.

Policy objectives and the reasons for them

Part 3 of the *Fair Trading (Australian Consumer Law) Amendment Act 2010* amends the *Security Providers Act 1993* to provide a new requirement for mandatory fingerprinting of security providers. These amendments will commence on 1 July 2011 by Proclamation.

The policy objective is to impose a fingerprinting fee on applicants for a security provider licence or renewal of a security provider licence, to be paid when the application is made. Full cost recovery to fingerprint an applicant, to cover capital and operating expenditure, would be \$350 per applicant. Such a fee would be a significant imposition on applicants,

because (a) applicants also pay a fee for the license/renewal, (b) the security industry is relatively low paid, and (c) existing Queensland licence costs are high compared to some other Australian jurisdictions.

The fee imposed under this amendment is \$100, which represents partial cost recovery. Whilst any new fee may have impacts on applicants for new licences or renewals, the effect is likely to be less significant than a full cost recovery model.

Achievement of policy objectives

The policy objective is achieved by imposition of a \$100 fee on applicants for a security provider licence or renewal of a security provider licence, to be paid when the application is made.

Consistency with policy objectives of authorising law

The amendment Regulation is consistent with the main objects of the *Security Providers Act 1993*.

Inconsistency with policy objectives of other legislation

The amendment Regulation is consistent with the policy objectives of other legislation.

Benefits and costs of implementation

The benefits and costs of implementation are discussed in the explanatory notes accompanying the *Fair Trading (Australian Consumer Law) Amendment Act 2010.*

Consistency with fundamental legislative principles

The amendment Regulation is consistent with fundamental legislative principles.

Consultation

Consultation has been undertaken with government agencies including:

- Fair Trading's Council of Australian Government (COAG) Project Board
- Department of Employment, Economic Development and Innovation COAG Program Director
- Queensland Police Service

ENDNOTES

- 1 Laid before the Legislative Assembly on . . .
- 2 The administering agency is the Department of Justice and Attorney-General.

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