



Queensland

Legal Profession (Australian Solicitors Conduct Rules) Notice 2012

Explanatory Notes for SL 2012 No. 48

made under the

Legal Profession Act 2007

General outline

Short title

Legal Profession (Australian Solicitors Conduct Rules) Notice 2012.

Authorising law

Section 225 of the *Legal Profession Act 2007*.

Policy objectives and the reasons for them

The Queensland Law Society is constituted under the *Legal Profession Act 2007*.

The purpose of the notice is to notify the making of, and give effect to, the Australian Solicitors Conduct Rules with effect from 1 June 2012. The notice also repeals the *Legal Profession (Solicitors Rules) Notice 2007*.

Achievement of policy objectives

The notice gives effect to the stated objectives.

Consistency with policy objectives of authorising law

The legislation is consistent with the policy objectives of the *Legal Profession Act 2007*.

Inconsistency with policy objectives of other legislation

Section 219 of the *Legal Profession Act 2007* provides that the Queensland Law Society may make rules about legal practice in Queensland engaged in by Australian legal practitioners as solicitors. Section 225(1)(a) of the *Legal Profession Act 2007* provides that these rules will have no effect unless the Minister notifies the making of them.

Benefits and costs of implementation

The benefit of this notice is to give effect to the Australian Solicitors Conduct Rules. There are no significant costs associated with this notice.

Consistency with fundamental legislative principles

The legislation is consistent with fundamental legislative principles.

Consultation

The Queensland Law Society has consulted on the Australian Solicitors Conduct Rules, as required under section 223 of the *Legal Profession Act 2007*.

ENDNOTES

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