



Queensland

Waste Reduction and Recycling (Postponement) Regulation 2012

Explanatory Notes for SL 2012 No. 183

made under the

Waste Reduction and Recycling Act 2011

General outline

Short title

The short title of the Regulation is the *Waste Reduction and Recycling (Postponement) Regulation 2012*.

Authorising law

Section 271 of the *Waste Reduction and Recycling Act 2011* and section 15DA(3) of the *Acts Interpretation Act*.

(Schedule 2 of the *Forestry Act 1959*, section 175 of the *Nature Conservation Act 1992*)

Policy objectives and the reasons for them

The objective of the Postponement Regulation is to grant a one year extension to the automatic commencement of section 317 and chapter 16 part 7 of the *Waste Reduction and Recycling Act 2011*. These parts contain amendments to the *Nature Conservation Act 1992* and the *Forestry Act 1959*.

The un-commenced amendments are intended to improve the registration processes for a range of leases, agreements and tenure dealings for all classes of protected area, State forests and timber reserves. However, in their current form, may have unintended consequences to the administration of the *Nature Conservation Act 1992* or *Forestry Act 1959*.

Achievement of policy objectives

The regulation will postpone the commencement of section 317 and chapter 16 part 7 of the *Waste Reduction and Recycling Act 2011* so that they may be reviewed and amended if required.

Consistency with policy objectives of authorising law

The postponement regulation is consistent with the policy objectives of the *Waste Reduction and Recycling Act 2011* and will not affect the administration of the *Nature Conservation Act 1992* or *Forestry Act 1959*.

Inconsistency with policy objectives of other legislation

The regulation is consistent with the policy objectives of other legislation.

Benefits and costs of implementation

There are no implementation costs associated with these amendments, these amendments will be rolled into a larger Act Amendment Bill undertaken by the Strategy and Policy Business Group of the Department of National Parks, Recreation, Sport and Racing.

Consistency with fundamental legislative principles

The amendments are of an administrative nature and do not breach any fundamental legislative principles.

Consultation

The Director of the Waste Policy and Legislation Team in the Department of Environment and Heritage Protection, who are responsible for the *Waste*

Reduction and Recycling Act 2011 support the postponement and amendment of these Parts.

Other affected relevant policy areas in the Department of Environment and Heritage Protection, Department of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and Multicultural Affairs and Department of Natural Resources and Mines have been consulted and agree that amendment is required.

Broader community consultation was undertaken as part of the *Waste Reduction and Recycling Act 2011* process. These amendments are consistent with that consultation.

ENDNOTES

- 1 Laid before the Legislative Assembly on . . .
- 2 The administering agency is the Department of Environment and Heritage Protection.

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