

# **Rural and Regional Adjustment Amendment Regulation (No. 3) 2014**

Explanatory Notes for SL 2014 No. 92

made under the

*Rural and Regional Adjustment Act 1994*

## **General Outline**

### **Short title**

*Rural and Regional Adjustment Amendment Regulation (No. 3) 2014*

### **Authorising law**

Sections 10, 11 and 44 of the *Rural and Regional Adjustment Act 1994* (the Act).

### **Policy objectives and the reasons for them**

The policy objectives of the subordinate legislation is to enable QRAA to manage the allocation of funds for assistance under the Primary Industry Productivity Enhancement Scheme (schedule 1 of the *Rural and Regional Adjustment Regulation 2011* (the Regulation)) and to enable persons affected by Bovine Johne's Disease to continue to access assistance under the Bovine Johne's Disease Assistance Scheme (schedule 25 of the Regulation).

### **Achievement of policy objectives**

The subordinate legislation will achieve its objectives by amending:

- Schedule 1 of the Regulation to provide that the authority must refuse an application for assistance under the Primary Industry Productivity Enhancement Scheme if the authority's assistance funds for the scheme are not sufficient; and
- Schedule 25 of the Regulation to amend the closing date for applications for assistance under the Bovine Johne's Disease Assistance Scheme from 30 June 2014 to 27 March 2015.

### **Consistency with policy objectives of authorising law**

The subordinate legislation is consistent with the main policy objectives of the *Rural and Regional Adjustment Act 1994*.

## **Inconsistency with policy objectives of other legislation**

The subordinate legislation is not inconsistent with the policy objectives of other legislation.

## **Benefits and costs of implementation**

The State Government will not incur any additional costs in the implementation of this subordinate legislation

## **Consistency with fundamental legislative principles**

The subordinate legislation is consistent with fundamental legislative principles. Any applications made prior to the amendments to the Primary Industry Productivity Enhancement Scheme that have not been decided will be unaffected by the amendments. Therefore an individual's rights will not be affected by retrospectivity.

## **Consultation**

The Office of Best Practice Regulation of the Queensland Competition Authority was consulted as to whether the amendments being made by the subordinate legislation qualified for an exclusion from the Regulatory Impact Statement system and agreed that the subordinate legislation is excluded as it is a regulation for the internal management of the public sector or statutory authority.