

# Food Production (Safety) Amendment Regulation (No. 1) 2014

Explanatory Notes for SL 2014 No. 221

made under the

*Food Production (Safety) Act 2000*

## General Outline

### Short title

*Food Production (Safety) Amendment Regulation (No. 1) 2014*

### Authorising law

Section 135 of the *Food Production (Safety) Act 2000*

### Policy objectives and the reasons for them

The objective of the subordinate legislation is to amend the *Food Production (Safety) Regulation 2014* (the Regulation) to increase the regulatory fees under Schedule 1 of the Regulation by the annual indexation rate for fees and charges of 3.5 percent. The fees under the Regulation are indexed annually from 1 January each year.

Regulatory fees are reviewed annually under Government policy. Queensland Treasury and Trade has advised that the annual government indexation rate for fees and charges for 2014-2015 is 3.5 percent. All fees have been rounded down to the nearest 5 cents.

### Achievement of policy objectives

The amendment regulation will achieve its objectives by incorporating a 3.5 percent increase in the fees under Schedule 1 of the Regulation.

### Consistency with policy objectives of authorising law

The subordinate legislation is consistent with the main policy objectives of the *Food Production (Safety) Act 2000*.

## **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 the subordinate legislation.

## **Consistency with fundamental legislative principles**

The subordinate legislation is consistent with fundamental legislative principles.

## **Consultation**

Queensland Treasury and Trade has advised that the annual indexation rate for fees and charges for 2014-2014 is 3.5 percent.

The Office of Best Practice Regulation of the Queensland Competition Authority has been consulted regarding the need for a Regulatory Impact Statement (RIS) and has advised that the proposed amendments are consistent with the Government endorsed indexation factor and no further analysis is required under the Treasurer's guidelines on the regulatory impact statement system.