

Transport Operations (Road Use Management—Vehicle Registration) Amendment Regulation (No. 1) 2016

Explanatory notes for SL 2016 No. 68

made under the

Transport Operations (Road Use Management) Act 1995

General Outline

Short title

Transport Operations (Road Use Management—Vehicle Registration) Amendment Regulation (No.1) 2016

Authorising law

Section 171 of the *Transport Operations (Road Use Management) Act 1995*.

Policy objectives and the reasons for them

Annual registration fees for heavy vehicles are determined nationally by the National Transport Commission and the Transport and Infrastructure Council. The fees are currently collected by the states and territories.

The National Heavy Vehicle Regulator (the Regulator), established under the Heavy Vehicle National Law (HVNL), currently receives funding from the participating states and territory because provisions of the HVNL dealing with the registration of heavy vehicles have not yet commenced. To make that funding process more transparent, the amendments separately identify the *regulatory component* of the heavy vehicle registration fees, which will be forwarded to the Regulator, and the *road use component*. The latter will be retained by Queensland to contribute to infrastructure costs associated with the use of roads by heavy vehicles.

Achievement of policy objectives

The *Transport Operations (Road Use Management—Vehicle Registration) Amendment Regulation (No. 1) 2016* prescribes registration fees for heavy vehicles for the period 1 July 2016 to 30 June 2017.

Consistency with policy objectives of authorising law

The amendments are consistent with the policy objectives in section 3 of the *Transport Operations (Road Use Management) Act 1995*.

Inconsistency with policy objectives of other legislation

The amendments are not inconsistent with the policy objectives of other legislation.

Benefits and costs of implementation

The amendments will make the funding for the National Heavy Vehicle Regulator from registration fees collected in Queensland more transparent and will ensure that an adequate level of revenue is received by the State to contribute to costs associated with the use of roads by heavy vehicles.

Consistency with fundamental legislative principles

The amendments are consistent with the fundamental legislative principles.

Consultation

Consultation has been undertaken with the Department of the Premier and Cabinet, Queensland Treasury and the National Transport Commission..