

Justices Amendment Regulation (No. 1) 2016

Explanatory notes for SL 2016 No. 113

made under the

Justices Act 1886

General Outline

Short title

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Authorising law

Section 22B of the *Justices Act 1886* (Justices Act).

Policy objectives and the reasons for them

The *Justices Regulation 2014* (the Regulation) prescribes the Brisbane Magistrates Courts District as 'the City of Brisbane as shown on map LGB1 edition 6, sheets 1 - 4' and creates five divisions within the District which are defined by reference to electoral wards.

In July 2015, the Electoral Commission of Queensland conducted a redistribution of electoral wards with the City of Brisbane in preparation for the local government elections on 19 March 2016. The new electoral wards took effect on 19 March 2016 (the local government election date).

It is proposed to update the Regulation so that divisions of the Brisbane Magistrates Courts District align with the current electoral wards for the City of Brisbane.

Achievement of policy objectives

The amendment regulation amends the Central division (Schedule 1, section 4(4)) to:

- add in references to the Paddington, Tennyson and The Gabba electoral wards;
- delete references to Dutton Park, East Brisbane, Grange, Jamboree and Toowong; and
- insert reference to the part of Jamboree that is north of a boundary line following from west to east: from where the boundary between the Jamboree and

Pullenvale electoral wards meets Wolston Creek, along Wolston Creek, along various roads until the place where the boundaries of Jamboree, Tennyson and Moorooka electoral wards meet.

The amendment regulation amends the Holland Park division (Schedule 1, section 4(6)) to:

- add the Coorparoo and Macgregor electoral wards;
- delete references to Moorooka and Wishart; and
- insert reference to the part of Moorooka that is east of a boundary line running from north to south: from where the boundary between the Moorooka and Tennyson electoral wards meets Oxley Creek, along Oxley Creek, along various roads until the place where Beenleigh Road and the boundaries for Moorooka and Runcorn electoral wards meet.

The amendment regulation amends the Richlands division (Schedule 1, section 4(8)) to:

- add in references to the Calamvale and Forrest Lake electoral wards;
- include the part of Jamboree that is not in the area of the Central division;
- include the part of Moorooka that is not in the area of the Holland Park District; and
- remove references to the Acacia Ridge and Richlands electoral wards.

Consistency with policy objectives of authorising law

The amendment regulation is consistent with the objectives of the Justices Act.

Inconsistency with policy objectives of other legislation

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

Benefits and costs of implementation

The amendment regulation will be cost neutral.

Consistency with fundamental legislative principles

The amendment regulation is consistent with fundamental legislative principles.

Consultation

The Chief Magistrate was consulted during the preparation of the amendment regulation.

The Queensland Productivity Commission was consulted and confirmed that the amendment regulation is excluded from the Regulatory Impact Statement system.