

Governors (Salary and Pensions) Regulation 2023

Explanatory notes for SL 2023 No. 124

made under the

Governors (Salary and Pensions) Act 2003

General Outline

Short title

Governors (Salary and Pensions) Regulation 2023

Authorising law

Sections 3 and 23 of the *Governors (Salary and Pensions) Act 2003*

Policy objectives and the reasons for them

The *Governors (Salary and Pensions) Act 2003* (the Act) provides for the salary, pension and other related matters for the Governor of Queensland. Section 3 of the Act provides that a salary is payable to the Governor at the rate prescribed under a regulation. Currently, the Governor's salary is prescribed in section 3 of the *Governors (Salary and Pensions) Regulation 2013* (2013 Regulation).

In accordance with section 54 of the *Statutory Instruments Act 1992*, the 2013 Regulation will automatically expire on 1 September 2023. A regulation is required to be in place to prescribe the salary payable to the Governor.

Achievement of policy objectives

The Regulation will replace the 2013 Regulation and prescribe the salary rate of the Governor.

Consistency with policy objectives of authorising law

The Regulation is consistent with the objectives of the Act.

Inconsistency with policy objectives of other legislation

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

Benefits and costs of implementation

The Regulation will maintain the status quo by prescribing the same salary for the Governor that was previously prescribed in the 2013 Regulation. There are no additional costs of implementation associated with the Regulation.

Consistency with fundamental legislative principles

The Regulation is consistent with fundamental legislative principles.

Consultation

The Office of Best Practice Regulation (OBPR) was consulted in relation to the requirements under *The Queensland Government Guide to Better Regulation*. OBPR considers that the Regulation is required, is effective and efficient, and that it is unlikely to result in significant adverse impacts. The OBPR advised that no further regulatory impact analysis is required.

No other consultation has been undertaken as the matters prescribed in the Regulation are specific to the Governor of Queensland and maintain the current arrangements.