

State Development and Public Works Organisation (Cairns Convention Centre Expansion Project) Amendment Regulation 2020

Human Rights Certificate

Prepared in accordance with Part 3 of the *Human Rights Act 2019*

In accordance with section 41 of the *Human Rights Act 2019*, I, Kate Jones MP, Minister for State Development, Tourism and Innovation provide this human rights certificate with respect to the *State Development and Public Works Organisation (Cairns Convention Centre Expansion Project) Amendment Regulation 2020* (the amendment regulation) made under the *State Development and Public Works Organisation Act 1971* (SDPWO Act).

In my opinion, the amendment regulation, as tabled in the Legislative Assembly, is compatible with the human rights protected by the *Human Rights Act 2019*. I base my opinion on the reasons outlined in this statement.

Overview of the Subordinate Legislation

The objective of the amendment regulation is to create a new section that directs the Coordinator-General to undertake particular works, in accordance with sections 108 and 109 of the SDPWO Act. The intent is that the Coordinator-General will be able to exercise functions and powers to undertake works for the purpose of facilitating the Cairns Convention Centre Expansion Project (the CCCE project). Those functions and powers are expected to include the permanent closure of the relevant parts of Sheridan and Wharf Streets in the Cairns central business district (CBD).

Human Rights Issues

Human rights relevant to the subordinate legislation (Part 2, Division 2 and 3 *Human Rights Act 2019*)

It is considered that the subordinate legislation does not impact on human rights and no further analysis is required.

Conclusion

I consider that the *State Development and Public Works Organisation (Cairns Convention Centre Expansion Project) Amendment Regulation 2020* is compatible with the *Human Rights Act 2019* because it does not raise a human rights issue.

Kate Jones MP
Minister for State Development,
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