

Rural and Regional Adjustment (Tourism Business Professional Advice Rebate Scheme) Amendment Regulation 2021

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, Mark Furner, Minister for Agricultural Industry Development and Fisheries and Minister for Rural Communities, provide this human rights certificate with respect to the *Rural and Regional Adjustment (Tourism Business Professional Advice Rebate Scheme) Amendment Regulation 2021* (Amendment Regulation) made under the *Rural and Regional Adjustment Act 1994*.

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 main objective of the Amendment Regulation is to help businesses in a tourism industry that has been financially impacted as a result of COVID-19 access eligible professional legal, financial and/or human resources advice.

The Amendment Regulation does this by establishing the Tourism Business Professional Advice Rebate as an approved scheme under the *Rural and Regional Adjustment Act 1994*. By prescribing the rebate as an approved a scheme, it enables the Queensland Rural and Industry Development Authority (QRIDA) to administer the scheme. Under the Act, QRIDA can only provide financial assistance under an approved assistance scheme prescribed by regulation.

The Tourism Business Professional Advice Rebate Scheme assists eligible businesses in a tourism industry obtain professional advice through the provision of a rebate of up to a maximum of \$2,500 per applicant.

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

The *Human Rights Act 2019* has been considered in regard to the Amendment Regulation and it has been determined that no human rights are limited. This is because the Scheme protects the human rights of the individuals and does not limit their rights.

Conclusion

I consider that the *Rural and Regional Adjustment (Tourism Business Professional Advice Rebate Scheme) Amendment Regulation 2021* is compatible with the *Human Rights Act 2019* because it does not raise a human rights issue.

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