

Heavy Vehicle (Vehicle Standards) National Amendment Regulation 2023

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 Bailey MP, Minister for Transport and Main Roads, provide this human rights certificate with respect to the *Heavy Vehicle (Vehicle Standards) National Amendment Regulation 2023* made under the *Heavy Vehicle National Law Act 2012*

In my opinion, the *Heavy Vehicle (Vehicle Standards) National Amendment Regulation 2023*, 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 purpose of the *Heavy Vehicle (Vehicle Standards) National Amendment Regulation 2023* is to amend the *Heavy Vehicle (Vehicle Standards) National Regulation* to clarify existing provisions, introduce safety improvements and ensure alignment with current Australian Design Rule requirements.

The amendments in the Amendment Regulation will:

- better align the *Heavy Vehicle (Vehicle Standards) National Regulation* with the Australian Design Rules and clarify requirements and terminology,
- improve the operation of the standards by making minor technical drafting amendments,
- clarify that warning lights attached to a bus must emit a flashing yellow light alternately between 90 and 180 times per minute, and
- allow for a bus that is manufactured before or within 12 months of the commencement to adhere to the current requirements.

The Amendment Regulation will commence on 31 March 2023.

Human Rights Issues

The *Heavy Vehicle (Vehicle Standards) National Amendment Regulation 2023* does not affect or engage a human right.

Conclusion

I consider that the *Heavy Vehicle (Vehicle Standards) National Amendment Regulation 2023* is compatible with the *Human Rights Act 2019* because it does not raise a human rights issue.

Honourable Mark Bailey MP
Minister for Transport and Main Roads

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