

Rural and Regional Adjustment (Boosting Accessible Tourism Experiences Grants Scheme) 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 Furner MP, Minister for Agricultural Industry Development and Fisheries and Minister for Rural Communities, provide this human rights certificate with respect to the *Rural and Regional (Boosting Accessible Tourism Experiences Grants Scheme) Amendment Regulation 2023* (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 Amendment Regulation is made under the *Rural and Regional Adjustment Act 1994* (Act).

The authorising law for the Amendment Regulation is sections 11 and 44 of the Act.

The objective of the Amendment Regulation is to give effect to the Government's strategy "Towards Tourism 2032" to contribute to the long-term growth of Queensland tourism and position the industry for success leading up to the Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games.

The Amendment Regulation establishes the Boosting Accessible Tourism Experiences Grants Scheme (Scheme) which will enable the Queensland Rural and Industry Development Authority to provide grants of between \$5 000 and \$20 000 to sole traders and small businesses (comprising a dollar-for-dollar co-contribution from eligible businesses).

The objectives of the Scheme are to:

- increase the number of tourism and events operators that are delivering exceptional customer experiences;
- increase initiatives that have a positive impact for the community through improved accessibility and experiences to visitors of all abilities;
- improvements to accessibility for visitors and workers with disability.

Human Rights Issues

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

The Amendment Regulation has been considered with regards to the *Human Rights Act 2019* and it has been determined that no human rights are engaged by the Amendment Regulation.

Conclusion

I consider that the *Rural and Regional Adjustment (Boosting Accessible Tourism Experiences Grants Scheme) Amendment Regulation 2023* is compatible with the *Human Rights Act 2019* because it does not limit human rights.

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