

# Proclamation – Water Legislation Amendment Act 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, Glenn Butcher MP, Minister for Regional Development and Manufacturing and Minister for Water, provide this human rights certificate with respect to the *Water Legislation Amendment Act 2023*.

In my opinion, the Proclamation, 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 Legislation

The Proclamation fixes 22 July 2024 as the day for the commencement of Sections 35 to 39, 44 to 52, 53 to the extent it inserts 1309B, 54 and Schedule 1, Part 2 of the *Water Legislation Amendment Act 2023*. The provisions support the implementation of a regulatory framework for Queensland’s strengthened non-urban water measurement policy. These provisions relate to the insertion of a new Chapter 2, Part 3A in the *Water Act 2000* regarding measurement requirements to enhance the existing operational and administrative framework to manage the take of water in Queensland. It also includes updating the dictionary and terminology regarding measurement and measurement devices in the *Water Act 2000*.

### Human Rights Issues

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

The Proclamation does not affect or engage a human right as the Proclamation is of a machinery nature.

### Conclusion

I consider that the Proclamation of certain provisions of the *Water Legislation Amendment Act 2023* is compatible with the *Human Rights Act 2019* because it does not raise any human rights issues.

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