

NATURE CONSERVATION AMENDMENT BILL 1996

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Short title

Nature Conservation Amendment Bill 1996.

Policy objectives of the Bill

To repeal that part of the *Nature Conservation Act 1992* which prohibits recreational fishing in National Parks from the year 2000.

How policy objective will be achieved

The objective will be achieved by repealing subsection 62(5) of the *Nature Conservation Act 1992*.

Alternative ways of achieving objective

There is no reasonable alternative way of achieving the policy objective.

Administrative costs of implementing the Bill

No administrative costs will be imposed as a result of the Bill.

Consistency with fundamental legislative principles

The Bill is consistent with fundamental legislative principles.

Consultation

Consultation has occurred with Sunfish, the peak recreational fishing organisation, and the Queensland Fish Management Authority over the last two years on matters relating to subsection 62(5) of the *Nature Conservation Act 1992* and other issues relevant to recreational fishing in national parks. Sunfish has stated its desire to have the relevant section of the Act repealed.

NOTES ON PROVISIONS

Clause 1 states the short title of the Act.

Clause 2 states that the Act amends the *Nature Conservation Act 1992*.

Clause 3 removes a sunset provision which would have prevented recreational fishing from taking place in national parks after 31 December 1999.