Appropriation (Parliament) Bill 2023 Statement of Compatibility

Prepared in accordance with Part 3 of the Human Rights Act 2019

In accordance with section 38 of the *Human Rights Act 2019*, I, the Honourable Cameron Dick MP, Treasurer and Minister for Trade and Investment, make this statement of compatibility with respect to the Appropriation (Parliament) Bill 2023.

In my opinion, the Bill 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 Bill

Under section 27(b) of the *Financial Accountability Act 2009*, the Treasurer must present annual appropriation bills for each financial year that appropriate amounts for the Legislative Assembly and parliamentary service.

The Appropriation (Parliament) Bill 2023 provides:

- Authorisation for the Treasurer to pay amounts from the Consolidated Fund for the Legislative Assembly and parliamentary service for 2023-24; and
- Supply for 2024-25 to allow normal operations of government to continue until the 2024-25 Appropriation (Parliament) Bill receives assent.

Human Rights Issues

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

The Bill seeks Parliamentary approval of the appropriation of the funds during the 2023-24 period, and supply for the financial year starting 1 July 2024 to allow normal operations of government to continue until the 2024-25 Appropriation (Parliament) Bill receives assent. As the Bill only applies to internal Government bodies, it in no way limits the human rights of an individual.

Conclusion

In my opinion, this Bill is compatible with human rights under the *Human Rights Act 2019* as it does not limit an individual's human rights.

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