
Electricity and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2016

Explanatory Notes

FOR

Amendments To Be Moved During Consideration In Detail By The Honourable Mark Bailey MP

Title of the Bill

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Objectives of the Amendments

The amendments will clarify the membership requirements for the Board of Community Enterprise Queensland to provide for membership by at least one community representative in addition to the consumer representative currently provided for by the Bill.

Achievement of the Objectives

The proposed amendment will ensure that membership of the Board of Community Enterprise Queensland will include at least one member representing the interests of the communities in which it operates as well as at least one member representing the consumers of its services.

Alternative Ways of Achieving Policy Objectives

There are no alternative ways of achieving the policy objectives of the proposed amendments.

Estimated Cost for Government Implementation

There is no estimated administrative cost to government of implementing the proposed amendment.

Consistency with Fundamental Legislative Principles

It is considered that the proposed amendment is consistent with the fundamental legislative principles (FLPs) set out in the *Legislative Standards Act 1992 (Qld)* and that proposed provision has sufficient regard for the rights and liberties of individuals and the institution of Parliament.

Consultation

This proposed amendment is at the request of the Transportation and Utilities Committee as a result of its consideration of this issue.

NOTES ON PROVISIONS

Clause 1

Clause 1 amends clause 7 (Section 60DB) by:

- Inserting Subsection 60DB(2A) providing that at least one member of the Board must be a community representative.

Clause 2

Clause 2 amends clause 7 (Section 60DB) by:

- Inserting an additional definition in Subsection 60DB(4) for a community representative as a “community representative means a person who the Minister considers represents the interests of the communities in which Community Enterprise Queensland performs its functions”.