

Queensland

Fire and Rescue Service Regulation 2011

Explanatory Notes for SL 2011 No. 160

made under the Fire and Rescue Service Act 1990

General outline

Short title

Fire and Rescue Service Regulation 2011.

Authorising law

Section 154 of the *Fire and Rescue Service Act 1990* Section 54(1) of the *Statutory Instruments Act 1992*

Policy objectives and the reasons for them

To provide for the continuation of regulatory arrangements for the issuing of notices to control and prevent fires as well as to specify fire levy classes and contributions property owners are charged.

Achievement of policy objectives

These objectives are achieved by remaking the regulation in its current form with some minor amendments to reflect contemporary drafting practice including formatting, syntax and other minor language amendments.

Consistency with policy objectives of authorising law

The regulation is consistent with the objectives of the *Fire and Rescue Service Act 1990* which are to ensure the Queensland Fire and Rescue Service is able to, amongst other things, protect persons, property and the environment from fire and hazardous materials emergencies.

Inconsistency with policy objectives of other legislation

The regulation is consistent with the policy objectives of other legislation.

Benefits and costs of implementation

The regulation is remade with no policy changes. Implementation of the legislation will ensure an ongoing framework for the issuing of notices to control and prevent fires and the charging of fire levies.

Costs of implementation are limited to minor administrative matters associated with the changes in title of the regulation.

Consistency with fundamental legislative principles

The regulation has been drafted with regard to fundamental legislative principles as defined in section 4 of the *Legislative Standards Act 1992*.

While the regulation provides for the imposition of levies on owners of prescribed properties it is considered that the imposition of such levies is justified to ensure that the Queensland Fire and Rescue Service can continue to provide effective front line services which contribute to the protection and safety of the community.

Consultation

Consultation regarding the amendments has been undertaken with the Department of Premier and Cabinet, Queensland Treasury and the Department of Local Government and Planning.

No issues regarding the regulation were raised.

ENDNOTES

- 1 Laid before the Legislative Assembly on . . .
- 2 The administering agency is the Department of Community Safety.

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