



Queensland

Transport Legislation Amendment Regulation (No. 1) 2012

Explanatory Notes for SL 2012 No. 138

made under the

Transport Operations (Road Use Management) Act 1995

General outline

Short title

Transport Legislation Amendment Regulation (No. 1) 2012.

Authorising law

Sections 148 and 171 of the *Transport Operations (Road Use Management) Act 1995*.

Policy objectives and the reasons for them

To harmonise the manner in which the states and territories regulate motor vehicle modifications, the Australian Motor Vehicle Certification Board has developed the National Code of Practice for Light Vehicle Construction and Modification. Adopting the National Code of Practice in Queensland will provide greater consistency with other jurisdictions in the assessment and approval of light vehicle modifications.

The regulation will also align the minimum width in Queensland for road train and long vehicle warning signs with the Australian Vehicle Standards Rules.

Achievement of policy objectives

The amendments achieve the policy objectives by adopting the National Code of Practice as an approved code of practice for certain motor vehicle modifications in Queensland and adopting the national minimum width requirement for road train and long vehicle warning signs.

Consistency with policy objectives of authorising law

The amendments are consistent with the policy objectives in section 3 of the *Transport Operations (Road Use Management) Act 1995* to—

- provide for the effective and efficient management of road use in the State; and
- improve road safety and the environmental impact of road use.

Benefits and costs of implementation

There are no appreciable costs associated with implementing these amendments.

Consistency with fundamental legislative principles

The amendments are consistent with fundamental legislative principles.

Consultation

Relevant Queensland government departments have been consulted and support the amendments.

During the development of the National Code of Practice, consultation was undertaken with the Queensland Automotive Working Group which is comprised of representatives of the—

- Queensland Police Service;
- Royal Automobile Club of Queensland;
- Motor Trade Association of Queensland;
- Institute of Automotive Mechanical Engineers; and
- Australian Automobile Aftermarket Association.

The Queensland Automotive Working Group supports the adoption of the new National Code of Practice.

ENDNOTES

- 1 Laid before the Legislative Assembly on . . .
- 2 The administering agency is the Department of Transport and Main Roads.

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