

Liquor (Local Board for Brisbane CBD Safe Night Precinct) Amendment Regulation 2016

Explanatory notes for SL 2016 No. 219

made under the

Liquor Act 1992

General Outline

Short Title

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Authorising law

Sections 173NC and 235 of the *Liquor Act 1992*.

Policy objectives and the reasons for them

The objective of the *Liquor (Local Board for Brisbane CBD Safe Night Precinct) Amendment Regulation 2016* (Amendment Regulation) is to prescribe Brisbane CBD Safe Night Precinct Board Inc as a local board for the Brisbane CBD safe night precinct, in Schedule 17 of the *Liquor Regulation 2002* (Liquor Regulation).

Section 173NC(2) of the *Liquor Act 1992* (Liquor Act) provides that a regulation may prescribe an incorporated association to be the local board for a safe night precinct. Under section 173NA of the Liquor Act, local boards are intended to enable relevant licensees in safe night precincts to collaboratively achieve the purposes of minimising harm caused by the abuse and misuse of alcohol and drugs and associated violence, disturbances and public disorder in the precincts. To be prescribed as the local board for a safe night precinct, an association must be incorporated under the *Associations Incorporation Act 1981* and have at least one relevant licensee for the precinct as a member.

This Amendment Regulation prescribes a local board for the Brisbane CBD safe night precinct.

Achievement of policy objectives

To achieve the policy objectives, the Amendment Regulation amends Schedule 17 of the Liquor Regulation to prescribe Brisbane CBD Safe Night Precinct Board Inc as the local board for the Brisbane CBD safe night precinct.

Consistency with policy objectives of authorising law

The Amendment Regulation is consistent with the policy objectives of the Liquor Act and the purposes of Part 6AB of the Liquor Act.

Inconsistency with policy objectives of other legislation

The Amendment Regulation is not inconsistent with the policy objectives of other legislation.

Benefits and costs of implementation

There are no costs associated with the implementation of this Amendment Regulation.

Consistency with fundamental legislative principles

The Amendment Regulation is consistent with fundamental legislative principles.

Consultation

Community and industry consultation has taken place in relation to provisions in the Liquor Act that authorise the making of a regulation to prescribe specific incorporated associations as local boards for safe night precincts. No additional community consultation was undertaken in relation to the Amendment Regulation as it is a consequential amendment and machinery in nature.

In accordance with the Queensland Government Guide to Better Regulation, the Office of Best Practice Regulation was not consulted in relation to the regulatory proposal. The department applied a self-assessable exclusion from undertaking further regulatory impact analysis (Category f – Regulatory proposals that correct technical errors or amend legislation to take account of current Queensland drafting practice).

The Department of the Premier and Cabinet and Queensland Treasury have been consulted and have no objections to the amendment.