Major Events (Motor Racing Events) (Gold Coast 600) Amendment Regulation 2017

Explanatory notes for SL 2017 No. 182

made under the

Major Events Act 2014

General Outline

Short title

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Authorising law

Sections 12 and 84(1) of the Major Events Act 2014

Policy objectives and the reasons for them

The 2017 Gold Coast 600 V8 motor racing event will be held from 20 - 22 October 2017.

The policy objective of the *Major Events (Motor Racing Events) (Gold Coast 600) Amendment Regulation 2017* (the Amendment Regulation) is to facilitate the 2017 Gold Coast 600 being held.

Achievement of policy objectives

The policy objective will be achieved by prescribing the 2017 Gold Coast 600 as a major event under the *Major Events Act 2014* (the MEA). The Amendment Regulation also prescribes the major event period and periods for carrying out temporary works for the event, and the official title of the event. The major event organiser (V8 Supercars Australia Pty Ltd) and prescribed major event area (the areas surrounding McIntosh Island Park in Surfers Paradise, the areas in the Southport Broadwater Parklands, and 3332 Surfers Paradise Boulevard, Surfers Paradise) for the 2017 Gold Coast 600 are the same as for the 2016 event. As well, Part 4 of the *Major Events (Motor Racing Events) Regulation 2015* details provisions from the MEA that apply to the event.

Consistency with policy objectives of authorising law

The Amendment Regulation is consistent with the objectives of the MEA, which are to provide for the holding of major events and for the safety of visitors and spectators at major events.

Inconsistency with policy objectives of other legislation

There is no inconsistency between the Amendment Regulation and the policy objectives of other legislation.

Benefits and costs of implementation

The Amendment Regulation is necessary to enable the major event organiser (V8 Supercars Australia Pty Ltd) to stage the 2017 Gold Coast 600.

The Gold Coast 600 delivers tourism and economic benefits for the Gold Coast and Queensland. This includes generating local jobs and showcasing the Gold Coast and Queensland to a significant television audience around Australia and overseas. It will receive combined live coverage on Network Ten and Fox Sports and be broadcast in Australia, New Zealand, Singapore, Malaysia, United Arab Emirates, Hong Kong, India, South Africa and the United Kingdom. The total attendance for the 2016 Gold Coast 600 was 195,577 while the domestic audience viewership was 1,577,000.

Any costs associated with implementing the Amendment Regulation are negligible and need to be weighed against the benefits of the event.

Consistency with fundamental legislative principles

The Amendment Regulation is consistent with fundamental legislative principles.

Provisions in the Amendment Regulation for the 2017 Gold Coast 600 have the following time limitations placed on them:

- the major event period is between midday on Thursday 19 October 2017 and midday on Monday 23 October 2017; and
- the periods for temporary works for the event are between Monday 11 September 2017 and midday on Thursday 19 October 2017, and between midday on Monday 23 October 2017 and Saturday 11 November 2017.

These limitations will help ensure relevant provisions in the Amendment Regulation do not have a significant impact outside of these times, and help ensure they have sufficient regard for the rights and liberties of individuals.

Consultation

The Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport and Minister for Infrastructure and Planning, the Minister for Police, Fire and Emergency Services and Minister for Corrective Services, and the Mayor of the City of the Gold Coast have been consulted, as required under section 13 of the MEA.

Consultation has also occurred with V8 Supercars Australia Pty Ltd and Tourism and Events Queensland.

All parties consulted support the Amendment Regulation.

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 of Tourism, Major Events, Small Business and the Commonwealth Games applied a self-assessable exclusion from undertaking further regulatory impact analysis (Category (g) – Regulatory proposal is of machinery nature).

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