## Proclamation – Queensland Productivity Commission Act 2025

Explanatory notes for SL 2025 No. 23

made under the

**Queensland Productivity Commission Act 2025** 

# **General Outline**

## Short title

Proclamation commencing the Queensland Productivity Commission Act 2025.

## Authorising law

Section 2 of the Queensland Productivity Commission Act 2025 (QPC Act).

## Policy objectives and the reasons for them

Section 2 of the QPC Act provides that the QPC Act commences on a day fixed by proclamation.

The purpose of the proclamation is to fix 22 April 2025 as the date of commencement of all provisions of the QPC Act.

The QPC Act was passed by Parliament on 12 March 2025 and received assent on 17 March 2025.

The QPC Act establishes the Queensland Productivity Commission (the Commission) as an independent statutory body to undertake inquiries and research and provide independent advice to the responsible Minister in relation to economic and social issues, regulatory matters or legislation having particular regard to productivity and economic growth and improving living standards.

The QPC Act enumerates the functions of the Commission and provides it with the powers necessary for it to perform its functions effectively. The Act also sets the corporate governance framework for the Commission, including provision for the appointment of the Productivity Commissioner and up to three additional commissioners to the Board of the Commission.

## Achievement of policy objectives

The policy objective is achieved by fixing 22 April 2025 as the commencement date for the QPC Act.

## Consistency with policy objectives of authorising law

The proclamation is consistent with the policy objectives of the QPC Act.

#### Inconsistency with policy objectives of other legislation

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

## Alternative ways of achieving policy objectives

There are no alternative means of achieving the policy objectives.

#### Benefits and costs of implementation

Funding for the existing Office of Productivity and Red Tape Reduction, within Queensland Treasury, will be used in funding the re-establishment of the Commission. Any additional funding required will be met within Queensland Treasury portfolio's existing resources.

## **Consistency with fundamental legislative principles**

The proclamation is consistent with fundamental legislative principles.

## Consultation

Re-establishment of the Queensland Productivity Commission as an independent body was a government election commitment. The QPC Bill was consulted upon through the Parliamentary Committee process.

No further consultation has been undertaken in relation to the proclamation.

The Under Treasurer and Treasurer, Minister for Energy and Minister for Home Ownership approved and signed an Impact Analysis Statement confirming that the proclamation is machinery in nature and no further impact analysis is required.