

Rural and Regional Adjustment (Flood Affected Livestock Grants Scheme) Amendment Regulation 2023

Human Rights Certificate

Prepared in accordance with Part 3 of the *Human Rights Act 2019*

In accordance with section 41 of the *Human Rights Act 2019*, I, Mark Furner MP, Minister for Agricultural Industry Development and Fisheries and Minister for Rural Communities, make this human rights certificate with respect to the *Rural and Regional Adjustment (Flood Affected Livestock Grants Scheme) Amendment Regulation 2023* made under the *Rural and Regional Adjustment Act 1994*.

In my opinion, the *Rural and Regional Adjustment (Flood Affected Livestock Grants Scheme) Amendment Regulation 2023*, is compatible with the human rights protected by the *Human Rights Act 2019*. I base my opinion on the reasons outlined in this statement.

Overview of the Subordinate Legislation

The *Rural and Regional Adjustment (Flood Affected Livestock Grants Scheme) Amendment Regulation 2023* is made under the *Rural and Regional Adjustment Act 1994*.

The authorising law for the regulation is section 44 of the *Rural and Regional Adjustment Act 1994*.

All schemes of financial assistance administered by the Queensland Rural and Industry Development Authority (QRIDA) are required to be set out in regulation.

This subordinate legislation introduces a new scheme of financial assistance that is a business support measure under the Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA).

The proposed new scheme will provide additional assistance to primary producers impacted by the severe monsoonal flooding in the Burke Shire Council and nearby local government areas during early 2023 for the disaster event: Northern and Central Queensland Monsoon and Flooding, 20 December 2022- 30 April 2023. This event led to thousands of livestock deaths and the requirement for an extensive fodder relief effort to supply fodder to flood stranded livestock.

The scheme will allow producers to claim \$75,000 for expenses they have incurred related to the supply of fodder for livestock or carcass disposal.

Human Rights Issues

Human Rights relevant to the subordinate legislation (Part 2, Division 2 and 3 *Human Rights Act 2019*)

The potential impact of the *Rural and Regional Adjustment (Flood Affected Livestock Grants Scheme) Amendment Regulation 2023* on the human rights in sections 15 to 37 of the *Human Rights Act 2019* was considered and no potential impact was identified.

Conclusion

I consider that the *Rural and Regional Adjustment (Flood Affected Livestock Grants Scheme) Amendment Regulation 2023* is compatible with the *Human Rights Act 2019* because it does not limit any of the human rights protected by the *Human Rights Act 2019*.

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