Rural and Regional Adjustment (Battery Booster Rebate 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 provide this human rights certificate with respect to the *Rural and Regional Adjustment (Battery Booster Rebate Scheme) Amendment Regulation 2023* (the Amendment Regulation) made under the *Rural and Regional Adjustment Act 1994*.

In my opinion, the Amendment Regulation, as tabled in the Legislative Assembly, 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 Amendment Regulation is made under the Rural and Regional Adjustment Act 1994.

The authorising law for the Amendment Regulation is sections 3, 10, 11 and 44 of the *Rural* and Regional Adjustment Act 1994.

The Amendment Regulation establishes the Battery Booster Rebate Scheme, which will allow the Queensland Rural and Industry Development Authority to provide financial assistance to Queensland homeowners to incentivise sustainable, renewable energy usage through offsetting the purchase and installation of a battery energy storage system in residential homes.

Human Rights Issues

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

The Amendment Regulation has been considered with regards to the *Human Rights Act 2019*, and it has been determined that no human rights are limited. The Amendment Regulation supports the property rights, under section 24 of the *Human Rights Act 2019*, of participants in the scheme by supporting them to manage their home energy usage and mitigate the cost of electricity through adopting sustainable renewable energy sources.

Conclusion

I consider that the *Rural and Regional Adjustment (Battery Booster Rebate Scheme) Amendment Regulation 2023* is compatible with the *Human Rights Act 2019* because it does not limit human rights.

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