

Petroleum and Gas (Safety) Amendment Regulation 2025

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* (the HR Act), I, Dale Last MP, Minister for Natural Resources and Mines, Minister for Manufacturing, and Minister for Regional and Rural Development, provide this human rights certificate with respect to the *Petroleum and Gas (Safety) Amendment Regulation 2025* (Amendment Regulation).

In my opinion, the Amendment Regulation as tabled in the Legislative Assembly, is compatible with the human rights protected by the HR Act. I base my opinion on the reasons outlined in this statement.

Overview of the Subordinate Legislation

The proposed omission of section 96 of the *Petroleum and Gas (Safety) Regulation 2018* is required as the compliance plate and related matters for gas system installation for section 743(3) of the *Petroleum and Gas (Production and Safety) Act 2004* (P&G Act), will no longer be prescribed and instead will be included in the functionality of a new online system.

Currently Resources Safety and Health Queensland (RSHQ) offers gas installers the option to either submit hard copy forms or to complete and issue certificates for gas system compliance, gas system defects notices and vehicle and vessel gas system inspections online, referred to as e-certificates.

The e-certificate system is a Smartform based platform that the Commonwealth Government will not support from 1 July 2025.

In response RSHQ is transitioning gas work certifications to a new online system.

The new online system proposes a digital solution for licences and gas safety information which will also streamline and modernise business processes.

This proposal is deregulatory and does not increase costs or regulatory burden on business. While the proposal does retain existing regulation it does reduce the costs associated with meeting those requirements.

Human Rights Issues

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

The Amendment Regulation does not affect or engage human rights. It does not change regulatory policy or introduce new impacts on business, government or the community.

Conclusion

I consider that the Amendment Regulation is compatible with the HR Act because it does not raise a human rights issue.

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