

Supreme Court of Queensland 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* (HR Act), I, the Honourable Deb Frecklington MP, Attorney-General and Minister for Justice and Minister for Integrity provide this human rights certificate with respect to the *Supreme Court of Queensland Regulation 2025* (the SCQ 2025 Regulation) made under the *Supreme Court of Queensland Act 1991* (the Act).

In my opinion, the SCQ 2025 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 Act provides that there are to be districts of the Supreme Court, with each district to consist of the Magistrates Courts districts prescribed under a regulation.

The *Supreme Court of Queensland Regulation 2012* (the SCQ 2012 Regulation) currently prescribes the Supreme Court districts for the purposes of section 57 of the Act. The SCQ 2012 Regulation will automatically expire on 31 August 2025, pursuant to section 54(1) of the *Statutory Instruments Act 1992*.

The SCQ 2025 Regulation replaces and remakes the SCQ 2012 Regulation in the same form, ensuring the continued and undisturbed operationalisation of Supreme Court districts to promote the efficient administration of justice by ensuring that proceedings are started in the appropriate court district.

Human Rights Issues

I have considered each of the rights protected by part 2 of the HR Act. In my opinion, the SCQ 2025 Regulation does not engage or limit human rights.

Conclusion

I consider that the SCQ 2025 Regulation is compatible with the HR Act because it does not limit human rights.

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