# Trans-Tasman Mutual Recognition (Queensland) (Victorian Container Deposit Scheme) Notice 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*, I, the Honourable Ros Bates MP, Minister for Finance, Trade, Employment and Training provide this human rights certificate with respect to the *Trans-Tasman Mutual Recognition (Queensland) (Victorian Container Deposit Scheme) Notice 2025* made under the *Trans-Tasman Mutual Recognition (Queensland) Act 2003*.

In my opinion, the *Trans-Tasman Mutual Recognition (Queensland) (Victorian Container Deposit Scheme) Notice 2025*, 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 purpose of the *Trans-Tasman Mutual Recognition (Queensland) (Victorian Container Deposit Scheme) Notice 2025* is to endorse regulations to be made by the Governor-General under section 45 of the *Trans-Tasman Mutual Recognition Act 1997* (Cth) (Cth TTMRA) permanently exempting certain legislation of Victoria relating to Victoria's Container Deposit Scheme from the application of the Cth TTMRA.

The Trans-Tasman Mutual Recognition (Queensland) (Victorian Container Deposit Scheme) Notice 2025 is subordinate legislation due to section 7(2) of the Trans-Tasman Mutual Recognition (Queensland) Act 2003.

The Victorian Container Deposit Scheme is a recycling scheme for beverage containers similar to those in operation in all other Australian jurisdictions including Queensland.

The exemption from the application of the Cth TTMRA will ensure that relevant beverage containers sold in Victoria that have been imported from or produced in New Zealand comply with the labelling requirements of the Victorian Container Deposit Schemes.

#### Authorising law:

- Sections 43 and 45 of the *Trans-Tasman Mutual Recognition Act 1997* (Cth)
- Section 7(1) of the Trans-Tasman Mutual Recognition (Queensland) Act 2003.

### **Human Rights Issues**

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

No human rights are identified as engaged or limited by the *Trans-Tasman Mutual Recognition* (Queensland) (Victorian Container Deposit Scheme) Notice 2025.

#### Conclusion

I consider that the *Trans-Tasman Mutual Recognition (Queensland) (Victorian Container Deposit Scheme) Notice 2025* is compatible with the *Human Rights Act 2019* because it does not limit human rights.

**ROS BATES MP** 

MINISTER FOR FINANCE, TRADE, EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING

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