Rural and Regional Adjustment (Boost to Buy Scheme) 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* (HR Act), I, Dale Last MP, Minister for Natural Resources and Mines, Minister for Manufacturing and Minister for Regional and Rural Development, make this human rights certificate with respect to the *Rural and Regional Adjustment (Boost to Buy Scheme) Amendment Regulation 2025* under the *Rural and Regional Adjustment Act 1994* (the RRA Act).

In my opinion, the Rural and Regional Adjustment (Boost to Buy Scheme) Amendment Regulation 2025 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 Rural and Regional Adjustment (Boost to Buy Scheme) Amendment Regulation 2025 is made under the RRA Act.

The authorising law for the regulation is section 44 of the RRA Act, which allows the Governor in Council to make regulations under the RRA Act. The RRA Act is the governing law for the Queensland Rural and Industry Development Authority (QRIDA), which is established primarily to administer assistance schemes that foster the development of a more productive and sustainable rural and regional sector in Queensland. Section 3 of the RRA Act provides that QRIDA may also administer approved assistance schemes to assist primary producers, small businesses and other sectors during periods of temporary difficulty, or to otherwise benefit the Queensland economy.

Section 8 of the RRA Act outlines QRIDA's functions. Its primary function under section 8 of the RRA Act is to put approved assistance schemes into effect. Section 8(2)(j) also allows QRIDA to perform 'other functions prescribed by regulation.'

QRIDA has long standing experience in administering schemes of financial assistance. Queensland Treasury Corporation (QTC), on behalf of the Queensland Government, will be administering the new Boost to Buy Scheme. The Boost to Buy Scheme is an election commitment to assist first home buyers with purchasing their own home. Due to its expertise in administration of schemes of financial assistance QTC has sought to have QRIDA provide it with administrative support for the Boost to Buy Scheme.

In accordance with section 8(2)(j) of the RRA Act, the *Rural and Regional Adjustment Regulation 2011* is being amended to create a new Part 1A Functions of Authority which will provide that QRIDA will help QTC administer the Boost to Buy Scheme in accordance with a

service level agreement between QTC, Queensland Treasury and QRIDA that will be placed on the QRIDA website.

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 (Boost to Buy Scheme) Amendment Regulation 2025 on the human rights in sections 15 to 37 of the HR Act was considered and no potential impact was identified.

Conclusion

I consider that the Rural and Regional Adjustment (Boost to Buy Scheme) Amendment Regulation 2025 is compatible with the HR Act because it does not limit any of the human rights protected by the HR Act.

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