

Proclamation - Health and Wellbeing Queensland Act 2019

Explanatory notes for SL 2019 No. 118

made under the

Health and Wellbeing Queensland Act 2019

General Outline

Short title

Proclamation for the *Health and Wellbeing Queensland Act 2019*.

Authorising law

Section 2 of the *Health and Wellbeing Queensland Act 2019*.

Policy objectives and the reasons for them

The objective of the proclamation is to commence the remaining provisions of the *Health and Wellbeing Queensland Act 2019* (the Act) that did not commence on assent, on 1 July 2019.

The commencement of these provisions in the Act will provide for:

- the establishment of Health and Wellbeing Queensland as a statutory health promotion agency to improve the health and wellbeing of the Queensland population;
- amendments to the *Hospital Foundations Act 2018* to enable a foundation to be established to support Health and Wellbeing Queensland; and
- amendments to the *Public Service Act 2008* to establish Health and Wellbeing Queensland as a public service office under that Act.

Achievement of policy objectives

The policy objective will be achieved by fixing a date of 1 July 2019 for the commencement of the remaining provisions of the Act that did not commence on assent.

Consistency with policy objectives of authorising law

The proclamation is consistent with the policy objectives of the Act.

Inconsistency with policy objectives of other legislation

No inconsistencies with the policy objectives of other legislation have been identified.

Alternative ways of achieving policy objectives

The proclamation is the only effective means of achieving the policy objective.

Benefits and costs of implementation

There are no costs arising from the proclamation.

Consistency with fundamental legislative principles

The proclamation is consistent with fundamental legislative principles.

Consultation

A wide range of stakeholders were consulted in the development of the Act. As the provisions in the Act relate to the establishment of a statutory agency and are machinery in nature, public consultation in relation to the proclamation has not been undertaken as there will be no impacts on individuals or entities resulting from the commencement of the Act.

The proclamation was assessed by Queensland Health, in accordance with the *Queensland Government Guide to Better Regulation*, as being excluded from regulatory impact assessment under exclusion category 'g' on the basis that the proclamation is of a machinery nature. Therefore, consultation with the Queensland Productivity Commission was not required.