

**STATE DEVELOPMENT, NATURAL RESOURCES AND AGRICULTURAL
INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

REPORT NO. 14 ON THE

**VEGETATION MANAGEMENT (CLEARING FOR RELEVANT PURPOSES)
AMENDMENT BILL 2018**

QUEENSLAND GOVERNMENT RESPONSE

INTRODUCTION

On 21 March 2018, a private member's bill, the Vegetation Management (Clearing for Relevant Purposes) Amendment Bill 2018 (the Bill), was introduced into Parliament.

The Bill was subsequently referred to the State Development, Natural Resources and Agricultural Industry Development Committee (the committee) and the committee, on 3 September 2018, tabled its report no. 14 in relation to the Bill.

The committee in its report made two recommendations, the first of which recommended the Bill not be passed.

The second recommendation was directed to the Queensland Government. The Honourable Dr Anthony Lynham MP, Minister for Natural Resources, Mines and Energy, tabled the government's interim response to the report on 3 December 2018 and the final response is as follows.

RESPONSE TO RECOMMENDATION

Recommendation 2

The committee recommends that the Minister for Natural Resources, Mines and Energy examine the merits of providing an information notice to applicants under section 22A of the *Vegetation Management Act 1999*.

Government Response

The government thanks the committee for the recommendation.

The government will monitor the rate of requests and refusals under section 22A of the *Vegetation Management Act 1999*, and will progress a proposal for a more appropriate review and appeal mechanism if a need emerges for an appeal process to be implemented.
