

Queensland Protection Commission Bill 2026

Statement of Compatibility

Prepared in accordance with Part 3 of the *Human Rights Act 2019*

In accordance with section 38 of the *Human Rights Act 2019*, I, Deb Frecklington MP, Attorney-General and Minister for Justice and Minister for Integrity, make this statement of compatibility with respect to the amendments to be moved during consideration in detail of the Queensland Protection Commission Bill 2026 (the Bill).

In my opinion, the amendments are compatible with the human rights protected by the *Human Rights Act 2019* (HR Act). I base my opinion on the reasons outlined in this statement.

Overview of the Bill

Please see the Explanatory Notes for the amendments moved during consideration in detail of the Bill.

Human Rights Issues

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

The human rights under the HR Act that are relevant to the amendments to be moved during consideration in detail of the Bill are:

- Section 23 – taking part in public life;
- Section 25 – privacy and reputation; and
- Section 26 – protection of families and children.

If human rights may be subject to limitation if the Bill is enacted – consideration of whether the limitations are reasonable and demonstrably justifiable (section 13 *Human Rights Act 2019*)

Uplift of offences to the serious offence framework in the *Working with Children Check Act 2000* (WWCC Act)

The Statement of Compatibility which was tabled alongside the Bill as part of introduction engages with the human rights which are relevant to the uplift of offences to the serious offence framework in the WWCC Act.

The amendments to be moved during consideration in detail are technical in nature and will ensure the serious offence framework will appropriately capture offences related to the dangerous operation of a vehicle.

As such, no further analysis is considered necessary.

Conclusion

In my opinion, the amendments to be moved during consideration in detail of the Queensland Protection Commission Bill 2026 are compatible with human rights under the *Human Rights Act 2019* because any limitations on human rights are reasonable and demonstrably justified in accordance with s 13 of the Act.

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Attorney-General and Minister for Justice
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