## Tobacco and Other Smoking Products (Dismantling Illegal Trade) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2025

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Committee Secretariat Parliament House George Street Brisbane QLD 4000

Via email to: HEIC@parliament.qld.gov.au

Dear Committee Secretariat,

Re: RACGP feedback on the introduction of Tobacco and Other Smoking Products (Dismantling Illegal Trade) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2025

The Royal Australian College of General Practitioners (RACGP) Queensland Faculty thanks the Committee Secretariat for the opportunity to provide feedback on the introduction of *Tobacco and Other Smoking Products* (Dismantling Illegal Trade) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2025.

The RACGP is Australia's largest specialist medical college and stands at the forefront of our world-class healthcare system. We have more than 50,000 members, including over 9,000 members across Queensland. The RACGP trains 90% of our nation's specialist general practitioners (GP), all of whom provide high-quality care to patients everywhere – from remote Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities to our capital cities.

The RACGP sets the standards for general practice, facilitates lifelong learning for GPs, connects the general practice community, and advocates for better health and wellbeing for all Australians. Every year more than 22 million Australians choose to see a GP for their essential healthcare, making GPs the most accessed health professionals in the country.

The RACGP is fully supportive of the key reforms proposed in the Bill, particularly those aimed at protecting children and young people from the harms of smoking. We strongly endorse measures that prohibit the supply of smoking products to individuals under the age of 18 and welcome the strengthened restrictions on the availability of tobacco and other smoking products to minors.

The RACGP remains committed to its anti-smoking efforts by continuing to provide world class resources such as our <u>Smoking Cessation Guidelines</u>, and by supporting legislative that seek to reduce smoking rates, prevent youth uptake, and limit exposure to harmful second-hand smoke.

For any enquiries regarding the RACGP	submission,	please contact	Mr James Flynn,	State Manager
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Best regards,

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