

TRANSPORT AND OTHER LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2023

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Dear Mr King

Submission – Transport and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2023

The National Heavy Vehicle Regulator (NHVR) welcomes the opportunity to provide input to the Transport and Resources Committee on the *Transport and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2023* (the amendment bill).

The NHVR was established in 2013 to be the single, national regulator of heavy vehicles in Australia, and to apply and enforce the Heavy Vehicle National Law (HVNL). All states and territories, except the Northern Territory and Western Australia, have adopted the HVNL as the single rule book for heavy vehicles.


At commencement, the NHVR relied on state and territory authorities to deliver the majority of the heavy vehicle regulatory services under Service Level Agreements. This was a transitional arrangement while the NHVR developed the capabilities to deliver these services and established a presence in participating jurisdictions.

In 2016, the NHVR commenced the National Services Transition (NST) Program, and since then has been working closely with states and territories to transition delivery of heavy vehicle regulatory services to the NHVR. To date, services in South Australia, Tasmania, Victoria, the Australian Capital Territory and New South Wales have been successfully transitioned to the NHVR, including the transition of 422 staff. This has resulted in a more streamlined approach to service delivery, compliance and enforcement, and a greater degree of consistency in how heavy vehicles are regulated in these jurisdictions.

Queensland heavy vehicle regulatory services will be the last to transition to the NHVR, and the NHVR is currently working with the Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) to facilitate transition by 20 April 2024.

The amendment bill is critical to the successful transition and ongoing delivery of heavy vehicle regulatory services in Queensland and will support the NHVR in its commitment to provide a safe and progressive workplace for employees transferring from TMR. As such, the NHVR is supportive of the amendment bill and would appreciate the committee's early consideration to assist timely passage and the successful transition of services within the planned timeframe.

Yours sincerely



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