

Question on Notice

No. 1813

Asked on 1 November 2007

MRS MENKENS ASKED THE TREASURER (MR FRASER)—

With reference to the Administrative Arrangements Order (No. 3) 2007 and, in particular, his role under these arrangements where an Act is shared—

What provisions of the *Forestry Act 1959* will his department administer?

ANSWER:

The Administrative Arrangements establish the Treasurer as being jointly responsible with the Minister for Primary Industries and Fisheries for the administration of the *Forestry Act 1959* to the extent it is relevant to State Plantation Forests (a sub category of State Forests).

As Treasurer, I administer these responsibilities through two separate roles, being a responsible Minister for Forestry Plantations Queensland and an administrating Minister for Forestry Plantations Queensland Office.

Forestry Plantations Queensland is a corporation sole created under the *Forestry Plantations Queensland Act 2006*, while Forestry Plantations Queensland Office is a Public Sector Office (a non-corporate entity akin to a department).

The Treasury Department does not have direct responsibility for administering the provisions of the *Forestry Act 1959*, but is involved with compliance and governance oversight of Forestry Plantations Queensland and Forestry Plantations Queensland Office.

Forestry Plantations Queensland and Forestry Plantations Queensland Office are the administrative units that administer the provisions of the *Forestry Act 1959* relevant to State Plantation Forests.

Schedule 1 to the *Forestry Act 1959* identifies the administering entity for each relevant provision.