

Question on Notice

No. 1822

Thursday, 1 November 2007

Mr JOHNSON asked the Attorney-General and Minister for Justice and the Minister Assisting the Premier in Western Queensland (Mr Shine) -

QUESTION:

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

- (1) What provisions of the *Aboriginal Land Act 1991* will his department administer?
- (2) What provisions of the *Torres Strait Islander Land Act 1991* will his department administer?
- (3) What provisions of the *Land Protection (Pest and Stock Route Management) Act 2002* will his department administer?

ANSWER:

As outlined in the *Administrative Arrangements Order (No. 3) 2007*:

- (1) The *Aboriginal Land Act 1991* is jointly administered by the Minister for Sustainability, Climate Change and Innovation, Minister for Natural Resources and Water and Minister Assisting the Premier in North Queensland and the Attorney-General and Minister for Justice and Minister Assisting the Premier in Western Queensland. I am responsible for sections 50 to 62; Part 8; sections 134 and 138. Specifically, sections 50 to 62 and Part 8 relate to the establishment and membership of, and operations of, the Land Tribunal (Aboriginal). Section 134 provides both the Minister for Sustainability, Climate Change and Innovation and the Attorney-General and Minister for Justice and Minister Assisting the Premier in Western Queensland with powers of delegation relevant to the sections each Minister administers. Section 138 provides the Attorney-General and Minister for Justice and Minister Assisting the Premier in Western Queensland with the ability to refer regulations to the Governor in Council for approval.
- (2) For the *Torres Strait Islander Land Act 1991*, the Attorney-General and Minister for Justice and Minister Assisting the Premier in Western Queensland is responsible for sections 47 to 59; Part 8; sections 131 and 135. The Act is also administered by the Minister for Natural Resources and Water and Minister Assisting the Premier in North Queensland and the Minister for Sustainability, Climate Change and Innovation. Specifically, sections 47 to 59 and Part 8 relate to the establishment and membership of, and operations of, the Land Tribunal (Torres Strait Islander). Section 131 provides Ministers with powers of delegation relevant to the sections each Minister administers. Section 135 provides the Attorney-General and Minister for Justice and Minister Assisting the Premier in Western Queensland with the ability to refer regulations to the Governor in Council for approval.
- (3) This act does not form part of my portfolio responsibility. The *Land Protection (Pest and Stock Route Management) Act 2002* is jointly administered by the Minister for

Primary Industries and Fisheries and the Minister for Natural Resources and Water
and Minister Assisting the Premier in North Queensland.