

Question on Notice

No. 679

Asked on Thursday, 17 May 2018

MR D BATT ASKED MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MAIN ROADS (HON M BAILEY)

QUESTION:

With reference to section 10 of the Transport and Other Legislation Act 2017, which provides that persons who are at least 15 years old and ordinarily reside in Queensland are eligible for an Adult Proof of Age Card—

Will the Minister advise when section 10 of the Act will be commenced by proclamation given that it has been eight months since the Act was passed?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for Bundaberg for the question.

The *Transport and Other Legislation (Personalised Transport Reform) Amendment Act 2017* received assent on 25 August 2017 and included changes to the *Adult Proof of Age Card 2008* that will provide photo identification to young people aged 15 years or older.

The Department of Transport and Main Roads engages a contractor to produce its identity products, including driver licences and proof of age cards. The current card production services contract is due to cease in early 2019.

As a result, implementation of the new Photo ID Card has been aligned to commence with the new licence production services contract. Aligning these two initiatives will minimise customer and industry confusion and ensure the release of the new Photo ID Card offers maximum benefits to customers. This approach also makes sound financial sense, as it will also reduce implementation costs by avoiding the duplication of some processes.