Question on Notice

No. 808

Asked on Thursday, 15 June 2023

MR P WEIR ASKED THE MINISTER FOR THE ENVIRONMENT AND THE GREAT BARRIER REEF, MINISTER FOR SCIENCE AND MINISTER FOR MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS (HON L LINARD)—

QUESTION:

Will the Minister advise if any offshore wind farms have been proposed for Queensland?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for the question.

Offshore renewable energy infrastructure, including offshore windfarms, are currently regulated by the Commonwealth Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water, under the Commonwealth *Offshore Electricity Infrastructure Act 2021*.

The Queensland Government does not have a statutory role in the assessment or regulation of offshore wind farms given they are located outside of Queensland's jurisdiction, with Australian Commonwealth waters starting three nautical miles from the coastline and extending out to the boundary of Australia's exclusive economic zone.