1. Queensland Government has previously committed to implementing recommendations 5.1 and 22 of the reports titled *Promoting balance in the forensic mental health system – Final Report – Review of the Queensland Mental Health Act 2000* (Butler Report) and *Challenging Behaviour and Disability – A Targeted Response* (Carter Report) respectively.
2. The implementation of these recommendations involves establishing a state-wide service to provide for the detention of people with a sole diagnosis of intellectual disability who are subject to a forensic order issued by the Mental Health Court outside of the mental health system.
3. The Department of Communities has established a forensic disability service at Wacol. Once operational, this facility will have the capacity to provide for the secure care and detention of up to ten people with an intellectual disability or cognitive impairment (but no mental illness).
4. A legislative framework is required to operate the forensic disability service outside of the mental health system. The Forensic Disability Bill 2011 is intended to regulate the delivery of services at the newly established forensic disability service.
5. Cabinet approved the introduction of the Forensic Disability Bill 2011 into the Legislative Assembly.
6. *Attachments*
* [Forensic Disability Bill 2011](Attachments/Bill.pdf)
* [Explanatory Notes](Attachments/ExNotes.pdf)