1. Reforming the Queensland motorcycle licensing system is a priority outcome for the Government. The most direct way to try and improve motorcycle rider safety is to ensure novice riders have the appropriate skills and experience to ride a motorcycle on the road.
2. The Government sought feedback from the community and key stakeholders and following an evaluation a holistic approach to reforming the motorcycle licensing system would include changes to the motorcycle licensing system and Q-Ride course structure.
3. Cabinet approved reforms to Queensland’s motorcycle licensing system, including:
* Introducing a mandatory off-road practical pre-learner training and assessment course as a prerequisite to obtaining a motorcycle learner licence.
* Introducing a consistent minimum learner licence tenure period of three months for all learner riders who complete the new pre-learner course.
* Extending the minimum RE (restricted) licence period from one year to two years.
* Removing the restriction that prohibits R (unrestricted) licence holders from carrying pillion passengers for the first year of holding an R licence.
* Increasing the standardisation of the curriculum for the Q-Ride courses for RE and R licences and incorporating a stronger emphasis on riding behaviour and higher order skills.
1. Cabinet approved regulation amendments proceeding to the Governor in Council to introduce the proposed reforms to motorcycling licensing.
2. *Attachments*
* [Transport and Other Legislation Amendment Regulation (No. 1) 2016](Attachments/Regulation.PDF)
* [Explanatory Notes](Attachments/ExNotes.PDF)