1. The Health and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2018 amends Health and other portfolio legislation to give effect to key policies and improve the operation of relevant Acts.
2. The Bill gives effect to recommendations of the Coal Workers’ Pneumoconiosis Select Committee of the Queensland Parliament by establishing a notifiable dust lung disease register. The Bill amends the *Public Health Act 2005* to require prescribed medical practitioners to notify the chief executive of Queensland Health about cases of notifiable dust lung disease, and to require the chief executive to report on these notifications and enables the chief executive of Queensland Health to direct the person responsible for a pollution event to publish a public notice about health risks from the pollution event.
3. The Bill repeals the *Public Health (Medicinal Cannabis) Act 2016* and amends the *Health Act 1937*, to ensure that medicinal cannabis is regulated in the same way as any other scheduled medicines.
4. The Bill also includes amendments to:
	* the *Radiation Safety Act 1999* to provide that certain persons are deemed to have a use or transport licence;
	* the *Transplantation and Anatomy Act 1979* to clarify the provisions around clinical research that involves removing tissue from adults and children, ensure pathology laboratories can access the necessary tissue-based products for diagnostic and quality control purposes and remove the restriction for a post-mortem examination of a body conducted in a hospital to only be held in the hospital mortuary;
	* the *Births, Deaths and Marriages Registration Act 2003*, the *Coroners Act 2003* and the *Cremations Act 2003*, toenablehuman body parts used for examination or teaching purposes in schools of anatomy to be lawfully cremated without a corresponding death certificate or the approval of an independent doctor; and
	* the *Retirement Villages Act 1999* and the *Duties Act 2001* to clarify a recent amendment in relation to timely payment of exit entitlements at retirement villages.
5. The draft Health Legislation Amendment Regulation 2018 proposes to amend: the *Public Health Regulation 2018* to provide a definition of notifiable dust lung disease and a definition of prescribed medical practitioner; the *Radiation Safety Regulation 2010* by prescribing the circumstances where a person is deemed to have a use or transport licence; and the *Health (Drugs and Poisons) Regulation 1996* to ensure medicinal cannabis is treated the same way as other scheduled medicines.
6. Cabinet approved the introduction of the Health Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2018 into the Legislative Assembly.
7. Cabinet noted that the Minister for Health and Minister for Ambulance Services would table the draft Health Legislation Amendment Regulation 2018 in the Legislative Assembly.
8. *Attachments*
* [Health and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2018](Attachments/Bill.PDF)
* [Health and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2018 Explanatory Notes](Attachments/BillExNotes.PDF)
* [Draft Health Legislation Amendment Regulation 2018](Attachments/Regulation.PDF)
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