1. The Transport Legislation (New Queensland Driver Licensing) Amendment Bill 2008 will facilitate the introduction of smartcards for transport authorities including driver licences. The *Transport Operations (Road Use Management) Act 1995, Transport Operations (Marine Safety) Act 1994, Transport Operations (Passenger Transport) Act 1994* and *Tow Truck Act 1973* will be amended to:
* allow for the taking, keeping and use of digital photographs and digitised signatures;
* establish legislative mechanisms to manage access and release of digital photos;
* provide for a report to be tabled in Parliament on access by police to digital photos;
* insert new offences, penalties and sanctions in relation to smartcards, digital photos and digital signatures; and
* allow a regulation to authorise an authority to be issued in the form of a smartcard.
1. The Transport Legislation (New Queensland Driver Licensing) Amendment Bill will also amend the *Police Powers and Responsibilities Act 2000* to authorise police access to information stored on smartcards and to digital photos in the register in certain circumstances.
2. The Adult Proof of Age Card Bill 2008 will enable a reliable proof of age photographic identification card to be issued. The introduction of the smartcard proof of age card will benefit anyone who is unable or does not wish to obtain a driver licence, or does not wish to use their driver’s licence as evidence of age.
3. The Adult Proof of Age Card Bill 2008 will provide for a regulated proof of age credential; the management of biometric data and other information about the Adult Proof of Age card holder; the introduction of new offences, penalties and sanctions specific to the smartcard; and introduction of a regime to restrict access to biometric data stored on the department’s database and information stored on the new smartcard.
4. It includes consequential amendments to the *Liquor Act 1992* and the *Tobacco and Other Smoking Products 1998.*
5. Cabinet approved that the Transport Legislation (New Queensland Driver Licensing) Amendment Bill 2008 and the Adult Proof of Age Card Bill 2008 be introduced into the Legislative Assembly.
6. Cabinet noted that subordinate legislation will proceed directly to Governor in Council after the passage of the Bills.
7. *Attachments*
* [Transport Legislation (New Queensland Driver Licensing) Amendment Bill 2008](Attachments/TransNQLDAB08.pdf)
* [Explanatory Notes – Transport Legislation (New Queensland Driver Licensing) Amendment Bill 2008](Attachments/TransNQLDAB08Exp.pdf)
* [Adult Proof of Age Card Bill 2008](Attachments/AdultProofACB08.pdf)
* [Explanatory Notes – Adult Proof of Age Card Bill 2008](Attachments/AdultProofACB08Exp.pdf)