1. Under the *Queensland Building Services Authority Act 1991*, if a company or individual carries out building work, they must hold an appropriate contractor’s licence issued under the Act.
2. In October 2007, the Queensland Parliament passed amendments to expand the licensing system in the Building Services Act to include the occupational licensing of fire protection workers.
3. The amendments to the Act provide that the classes of fire protection occupational licence, the technical qualifications to hold a licence, and relevant licensing fees are to be prescribed by regulation, which this regulation covers.
4. Depending on the licence class, the cost of acquiring the technical qualifications ranges from $1,000 to $9,000.
5. For a fire protection occupational licence, the proposed licence application fee is $85 and the annual licence fee is $85. Alternatively, the licensee can opt to renew their licence every three years at a discounted rate of approximately 15%.
6. Cabinet approved that the proposed *Queensland Building Services Authority Amendment Regulation (No. 2) 2008* be recommended to the Governor in Council for approval.
7. Cabinet noted that the *Queensland Building Services Authority Amendment Regulation (No. 2) 2008* will be laid before the Legislative Assembly within 14 sitting days after publication in the Government Gazette.
8. *Attachments*
* [*Queensland Building Services Authority Amendment Regulation (No. 2) 2008*](attachments/Queensland%20Building%20Services%20Authority%20Amd%20Reg%20No%202.pdf)
* [Explanatory Notes](attachments/Qld%20Building%20Services%20Authority%20Amd%20Reg%20No%202EXPNOTES.pdf)
* [Regulatory Impact Statement](attachments/RIS%20Qld%20Building%20Services%20Authority%20Amd%20Reg%20No%202.pdf)