1. The Queensland Water Commission (the QWC), was established under the *Water Act 2000* (Water Act) in June 2006, and is an independent statutory body responsible for ensuring sustainable water supplies in the South East Queensland region (SEQ region) and other designated regions. The Commission is responsible for developing long term water supply strategies, establishing a regional water grid, implementing water restrictions, managing water demand, providing advice to government and reforming the water industry.
2. The Commission’s jurisdiction is currently limited to South East Queensland, however, it can be expanded to a designated region by the responsible Minister.
3. The QWC advises the Minister for Natural Resources, Mines and Energy and Minister for Trade on matters relating to water supply and demand management and the delivery of desired levels of service objectives for water supplied to the SEQ region and designated regions, however, it may also be subject to Ministerial direction for same.
4. The Water and Another Act Bill 2009 amends the *Water Act 2000* to modify the structure of the QWC to a ‘single commissioner model’.
5. Cabinet approved the introduction of the Water and Another Act Bill 2009 into the Legislative Assembly.
6. *Attachments*
* [Water and Another Act Amendment Bill 2009](Attachments/WaterAAAB%20Bill.pdf)
* [Explanatory Notes](Attachments/WaterAAAB09Exp.pdf)