1. The Natural Resources and Other Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 2) 2010 amends natural resource legislation administered by the Department of Environment and Resource Management to:
* ban the use of fluids containing the hydrocarbons benzene, toulene, ethylbenzene or xylene (B-TEX) above a maximum amount, or chemicals which would produce B-TEX chemicals so they cannot be used when stimulating (fraccing) coal seams to increase Coal Seam Gas (CSG) production.
* provide approvals for rural landholders under single statutory process for multiple land management purposes consistent with the ‘One Plan’ policy.
1. The Bill also amends:
* the *Petroleum Act 1923* and *Petroleum and Gas (Safety and Production Act) 2004* to improve notice requirements for landholders on whose land petroleum activities, including CSG activities, are taking place;
* the *Geothermal Energy Act 2010* to provide additional transitional arrangements in the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* for the new land access laws for the mineral and coal exploration sector;
* the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* to ensure full consistency across all resource legislation in relation to the land access policy framework*;* and
* the *South Bank Corporation Act 1989* to include two parcels of land on the corner of Grey and Vulture Streets within the commercial precinct at South Bank which are intended to be included in the South Point development between Tribune, Grey and Vulture Streets.
1. The Bill also defines the water rights of Rio Tinto Aluminium Limited under the *Alcan Queensland Pty Limited Agreement Act 1965*; *Commonwealth Aluminium Corporation Pty. Limited Agreement Act 1957* (Agreement Acts) and relocates those to the *Water Act 2000*, and facilitates a proposed restructure of Rio Tinto Aluminium Limited by amending the Agreement Acts, *Holidays Act 1983* and *Environmental Protection Act 1994.*
2. Cabinet approved that the Natural Resources and Other Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 2) 2010be introduced into the Legislative Assembly as soon as possible.
3. *Attachments*
* [Natural Resources and Other Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 2) 2010](Attachments/Bill.pdf)
* [Explanatory Notes](Attachments/ExNotes.pdf)