1. The Cape York Welfare Reform Trial operates in the communities of Hope Vale, Aurukun, Mossman Gorge and Coen. The objective of the Trial is to restore local authority, build stronger and more resilient communities and change behaviours in response to chronic levels of welfare dependency, social dysfunction and economic exclusion.
2. A central feature of the Trial is the Family Responsibilities Commission, a statutory body established under the *Family Responsibilities Commission Act 2008*. The Family Responsibilities Commission operates to restore local Indigenous authority and build stronger and more resilient communities, through attaching behavioural obligations to the receipt of welfare payments.
3. To enable the continued operation of the Trial and the Family Responsibilities Commission for a further 12 months, the Family Responsibilities Commission Act will be amended so that the Act expires on 1 January 2014.
4. Cabinet approved the introduction of the Family Responsibilities Commission Amendment Bill 2012 into the legislative assembly.
5. *Attachments*
* [Family Responsibilities Commission Amendment Bill 2012](Attachments/Attachment%201%20Family%20Responsibilities%20Commission%20Amendment%20Bill%202012.PDF)
* [Explanatory Notes](Attachments/Attachment%202%20Family%20Responsibilities%20Commission%20Amendment%20Bill%202012%20Explanatory%20Notes.PDF)