1. The Queensland Workplace Rights Ombudsman and Queensland Workplace Rights Office were established in July 2007 under the *Industrial Relations Act 1999* in response to WorkChoices.
2. On 1 January 2010, Queensland referred its private sector industrial relations jurisdictional powers to the Commonwealth as part of the establishment of a national workplace relations system.
3. Section 339C of the *Industrial Relations Act 1999* provides that the position of Ombudsman may be filled or not filled at the discretion of the Government. The appointment of the current Ombudsman will expire on 30 June 2012.
4. While the Queensland Workplace Rights Office has provided information, advisory and referral services for vulnerable workers during the transition to the national industrial relations system, these activities are now offered by the Fair Work Ombudsman and other service providers.
5. Cabinet approved that no appointment will be made to the position of Queensland Workplace Rights Ombudsman following the expiry of the term of the existing Ombudsman on 30 June 2012; and the Queensland Workplace Rights Office will be closed on 30 June 2012.
6. *Attachments*
* Nil.