1. In June 2013 theCrime and Corruption Commission (CCC) undertook a statutory review of the *Child Protection (Offender Prohibition Order) Act 2008* (CPOPO Act) focusing on the first five years of operation of the Act. The review sought to determine how the CPOPO Act had operated in practice between 2008 and 2013, and to what extent the Act had achieved its purpose by providing for the protection of the lives and sexual safety of children.
2. In December 2014, the CCC released the ‘Review of the operation of the *Child Protection (Offender Prohibition Order) Act 2008’*.
3. The CCC review found that, in its first five years of operation, the CPOPO Act was being used as intended by Parliament, and that the level of use of the offender prohibition orders was commensurate with similar legislation in other Australian states. The review however did identify several issues that were inhibiting the practical application of the CPOPO Act and made 17 recommendations to address these issues, including changes to legislation and the internal policy of the Queensland Police Service.
4. The Government supports all of the recommendations made by the CCC, either in full or in part/principle. Those recommendations which have been supported in part or in principle either require further consideration to ensure the implementation of these recommendations is viable and sustainable or have been achieved in an alternative manner.
5. The recommendations made in the report will help build a more unified and effective legislative, policy and practice framework for child protection in Queensland, enable police to make better use of the relevant legislation and amend legal provisions that may be disadvantaging vulnerable witnesses and offenders.
6. Cabinet approved the Government response to the ‘Review of the operation of the *Child Protection (Offender Prohibition Order) Act 2008’*.
7. *Attachments*
* [Review of the operation of the *Child Protection (Offender Prohibition Order) Act 2008*](Attachments/Review.PDF)
* [Government response to the ‘Review of the operation of the *Child Protection (Offender Prohibition Order) Act 2008’*](Attachments/Response.PDF)