1. The Health and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2016 (the Bill) makes legislative amendments to a range of health portfolio Acts to support the implementation of policy initiatives to protect and improve the health of Queenslanders, and to improve the operation of the Acts.
2. The Bill amends:
* the *Hospital and Health Boards Act 2011* to facilitate general practitioners having access to the Queensland Health database, the Viewer; and enable more efficient disclosure of confidential patient information for research purposes;
* the *Public Health Act 2005* to allow health information relating to deceased patients to be disclosed for research purposes; enable schools to share student information with school immunisation and oral health service providers to improve the uptake of the School Immunisation Program and School Dental Program; and make consequential amendments to reflect changes to the Australian Childhood Immunisation Register; and
* the *Queensland Institute of Medical Research Act 1945* to facilitate the payment of bonuses to successful discoverers or inventors.
1. The Bill also amends the Criminal Code to standardise the age of consent for sexual intercourse, replace references to sodomy with anal intercourse, and make necessary consequential amendments to support this change.
2. Cabinet approved the introduction of the Health and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2016 into the Legislative Assembly.
3. *Attachments*
* [Health and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2016](Attachments/Bill.PDF)
* [Explanatory Notes](Attachments/ExNotes.PDF)