

Legislation Administered by the Minister for Housing and Public Works as at 30 June 2016

Acts administered through the Department of Housing and Public Works:

Building Act 1975

This Act regulates building development approvals, building work, building classification, building certifiers and pool safety inspectors, and provides for particular matters about swimming pool safety, and sustainable buildings.

Housing Act 2003

This Act seeks to improve access of Queenslanders to safe, secure, appropriate and affordable housing, and help build sustainable communities.

Housing (Freeholding of Land) Act 1957

This Act provides for the freeholding of certain land to which the *Housing Act 2003* applies.

Inala Shopping Centre Freeholding Act 2006

The objective of this Act is to provide for the freeholding and divestment of perpetual leases under the *Housing Act 2003* in the Inala Shopping Centre.

Manufactured Homes (Residential Parks) Act 2003

The main objective of this Act is to regulate and promote fair trading practices in the operation of residential parks, to protect home owners from unfair business practices, and to enable home owners and prospective home owners to make informed choices by being fully aware of their rights and responsibilities in their relationship with park owners. Another important objective of this Act is to encourage the continued growth and viability of the residential park industry in Queensland.

Plumbing and Drainage Act 2002

This Act provides the legislative framework for plumbing and drainage standards in Queensland, and includes the licensing of plumbers and drainers and on-site sewerage facilities.

Residential Services (Accreditation) Act 2002

This Act regulates the conduct of residential services to protect the health, safety and basic freedoms of residents,

encourages service providers to continually improve the way they conduct residential services, and supports fair trading in the residential services industry.

Retirement Villages Act 1999

This Act provides for the establishment and operation of retirement villages. The main objectives of the Act are to promote consumer protection and fair trading practices in operating retirement villages and in supplying services to residents, and to encourage the continued growth and viability of the retirement village industry in the state.

Sustainable Planning Act 2009 (Chapter 7, Part 2)

This Part of the Act provides for the establishment and operation of the building and development dispute resolution committees.

Acts administered through the Residential Tenancies Authority:

Residential Tenancies and Rooming Accommodation Act 2008

This Act regulates, through the Residential Tenancies Authority, the rights and obligations of tenants, lessors and agents for residential tenancies and residents, providers and agents for rooming accommodation.

Acts administered through the Queensland Building and Construction Commission:

Building and Construction Industry Payments Act 2004

This Act establishes a statutory-based system of adjudication to enable the prompt resolution of construction-related payment disputes on an interim basis. Under the Act, adjudication is available to persons who enter into a written or oral contract to carry out construction work, or supply related goods and services.

Queensland Building and Construction Commission Act 1991

This Act regulates the building industry and establishes a licensing and regulatory system for the conduct of

building work in Queensland. The Act also establishes the Queensland Home Warranty Scheme, which provides assistance to consumers in the event that they suffer financial harm as a result of a building contractor carrying out defective or incomplete residential construction work.

From 1 July 2015, the *Domestic Building Contracts Act 2000* was repealed, and a new Schedule 1B relating to domestic building contracts was inserted into the *Queensland Building and Construction Commission Act 1991*.

Subcontractors' Charges Act 1974

This Act establishes a statutory mechanism by which a subcontractor in prescribed circumstances can secure payment of monies owed under their contract with a principal builder.

Acts administered through the Board of Architects of Queensland:

Architects Act 2002

This Act regulates the registration of architects and the practice of architecture in Queensland. The main objectives of the Act are to protect the public by ensuring architectural services are provided professionally and competently, to maintain public confidence in the standard of services provided by architects, and to uphold the standards of practice of architects.

Acts administered through the Board of Professional Engineers of Queensland:

Professional Engineers Act 2002

This Act regulates the registration of professional engineers, and protects the public by ensuring professional engineering services are provided by a registered professional engineer in a professional and competent way, public confidence in the standard of services provided by registered professional engineers is maintained, and the standards of practice of registered professional engineers are upheld.

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