1. On 21 July 2006, the Government announced the review of the *Local Government Act 1993* (LGA 1993) and the *City of Brisbane Act 1924* (CoBA), with the reviews being undertaken sequentially, beginning with the LGA 1993. The new *Local Government Act 2009* (LGA 2009) was passed on 4 June 2009 and on 1 July 2010 will replace the LGA 1993 as the principal legislative framework for 72 Local Governments.
2. Important provisions in the LGA 2009 that are applied to BCC in the City of Brisbane Bill (CoBB) include a ‘principles-based’ approach; the establishment of a CEO position and defined responsibilities; requirements for long-term financial planning and reporting; and a range of essential powers for the Minister to ensure transparency, accountability and ethical governance.
3. CoBB gives formal legislative acknowledgement to Brisbane as the capital of Queensland, traditionally the seat of Government of the State. It is an opportunity to raise the profile of Brisbane, an important symbolic initiative and of national significance.
4. Cabinet approved that the *City of Brisbane Bill 2010,* in accordance with the draft accompanying the submission subject to minor corrections, be introduced into the Legislative Assembly as soon as possible.
5. *Attachments*
* [City of Brisbane Bill 2010](Attachments/CityBrisbaneB10.pdf)
* [Explanatory Notes](Attachments/CityBrisbaneB10Exp.pdf)