1. The *Major Sports Facilities Act 2001* (the Act) provides a process by which events are ‘declared’ for the purpose of regulating advertising near event venues. The Act enables the regulation of advertising to protect event sponsors from unauthorised advertising by rival businesses that have not contributed to an event. The capacity to protect events and sponsors from unauthorised advertising makes venues more attractive to event organisers.
2. Proposed amendments will streamline the restricted advertising event designation process for regular sporting events organised, scheduled or endorsed by specified sporting bodies, where matches are held at specified venues. The advertising restriction period for the events prescribed by the Regulation will be from 6.00am to midnight on event days. The existing process will also be retained in the Act for events that fall outside of the categories prescribed under the Regulation.
3. The Major Sports Facilities and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2016 also amends the *Land Act 1994* to provide for the issue of a lease, held by the State, over part of a functioning non-tidal watercourse, where occupation and use of a development over the watercourse cannot be authorised under the *Water Act 2000*. The State would then be able to sublease to relevant third parties.
4. An amendment to the *Transport Infrastructure Act 1994* is proposed to facilitate the delivery of the Logan Motorway Enhancement Project to upgrade sections of the Logan Motorway and Gateway Extension Motorway, and surrounding road network.
5. The Bill also includes amendments to the *Gaming Machine Act 1991,* to amend the way in which gaming machine tax is assessed in respect of clubs that operate out of more than one premises (to the benefit of those clubs), and the *Keno Act 1996*, to allow the keno licensee to pool keno jackpots with the keno licensees of other Australian jurisdictions.
6. Cabinet approved the Major Sports Facilities and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2016 be introduced into the Legislative Assembly.
7. *Attachments*
* [Major Sports Facilities and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2016](Attachments/Bill.pdf)
* [Explanatory Notes](Attachments/ExNotes.pdf)