1. The Guardianship and Administration and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2017 (the Bill) progresses a number of reforms aimed at improving the efficiency of the guardianship system or improving the clarity of Queensland’s guardianship legislation (i.e. the *Guardianship and Administration Act 2000*; the *Powers of Attorney Act 1998*; and the *Public Guardian Act 2014*).
2. A number of the legislative reforms would address recommendations from the Queensland Law Reform Commission’s (QLRC) final report following the QLRC’s five year review of guardianship law – *A Review of Queensland’s Guardianship Laws* tabled in Parliament in 2010.
3. The legislative reforms also progresses recommendations arising from the Queensland Government response to the *Inquiry into the adequacy of existing financial protections for Queensland seniors*, undertaken by the Communities, Disability Services and Domestic and Family Violence Prevention Parliamentary Committee, including those that have been incorporated into the *Queensland: an age friendly community – Action Plan and Implementation Schedule.*
4. The Bill would be part of a package of reforms that will also seek to: redesign the forms for advance health directives and enduring powers of attorney; and develop guidelines for the assessment of capacity.
5. The Bill also includes certain unrelated amendments to guardianship law, namely provisions to implement recommendation 13 of the Parliamentary Crime and Corruption Committee’s Report, *Review of the Crime and Corruption Commission* (Report No. 97) and amendments to the *Integrity Act 2009* to implement recommendations 1 and 2 of the Parliamentary Finance and Administration Committee’s Report, *Inquiry into the Report on the Strategic Review of the functions of the Integrity Commissioner* (Report No. 19).
6. Cabinet approved the introduction of the Guardianship and Administration and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2017 into the Legislative Assembly.
7. *Attachments*
   * [Guardianship and Administration and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2017](Attachments/Bill.PDF)
   * [Explanatory Notes](Attachments/ExNotes.PDF)