1. The Bill amends the *Heavy Vehicle National Law Act 2012* (HVNL) to improve safety and productivity in the heavy vehicle transport industry, and amends Queensland transport laws to improve road safety, clarify duties of drivers involved in crashes and to improve the customer experience for learner licence applicants.
2. The HVNL amendments are part of an ongoing national review and maintenance process. The Bill amends the HVNL to implement the following nationally agreed reforms:
	* extending executive officer liability (EOL) due diligence obligations to non-chain of responsibility safety-related offences for which they are currently liable;
	* the ongoing registration of heavy vehicles under the legislation of participating jurisdictions; and
	* development of a national operator fleet dataset of registered heavy vehicles.
3. The EOL amendments are the second of three phases to reform HVNL chain of responsibility and EOL provisions, and will contribute to improvements in road safety by requiring executive officers to take positive steps to ensure that their organisation meets its key safety obligations under the HVNL.
4. Amendments to HVNL registration provisions will ensure jurisdictions can continue to perform registration related functions, and allow the National Heavy Vehicle Regulator access to registration data to perform its functions through a proposed national operator fleet dataset.
5. Road safety related amendments will see increases to penalties for driving offences involving death or grievous bodily harm, and allow a registered operator of a motor vehicle to be notified of driving offences committed in their vehicle. Other amendments will see testing procedures for drug driving simplified, while requirements for when a driver must remain at the scene of a crash have been clarified.
6. Amendments are also being made to improve the customer experience for persons participating in the learner licence online training and assessment program (PrepL) by extending the period a digital photo can be held by the department.
7. Cabinet approved the introduction of the Heavy Vehicle National Law and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2018 into the Legislative Assembly.
8. *Attachments*
* [Heavy Vehicle National Law and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2018](Attachments/Bill.PDF)
* [Explanatory Notes](Attachments/ExNotes.PDF)