1. The Education and Training Legislation (Skills Queensland) Amendment Bill 2010amends the *Vocational Education, Training and Employment Act 2000* to establish an industry led skills commission in Queensland, to be called Skills Queensland.
2. The establishment of Skills Queensland marks a new approach to ensuring that Queensland’s skills system meets the needs of a growing and diversifying Queensland economy and the skills and workforce development requirements of industry and communities.
3. Skills Queensland, a statutory body comprised of industry leaders, will be a partnership between Government and industry. Industry leadership will assist Government in obtaining support from industry stakeholders for future priorities and reforms.
4. It is proposed that Skills Queensland be operational by 1 January 2011.
5. The Bill also makes minor amendments to the *Education (Queensland College of Teachers) Act 2005* (the QCT Act) to:

* exclude a person who has previously held registration or permission to teach from applying for registration or permission to teach if the person has been convicted of a disqualifying offence since 1 January 2006 and the court imposed an imprisonment order;
* extend the notification requirements for an employing authority who are investigating a teacher for alleged harm caused or likely to be caused to a child; and
* make minor and technical consequential amendments arising out of the amendments to the QCT Act in the *Criminal History Legislation Amendment Act 2010*.

1. Cabinet approved the introduction of the Education and Training Legislation (Skills Queensland) Amendment Bill 2010 into the Legislative Assembly.
2. *Attachments*

* [Education and Training Legislation (Skills Queensland) Amendment Bill 2010](Attachments/Bill.pdf)
* [Explanatory Notes](Attachments/Exp%5b1%5d.pdf)