1. The Mineral and Energy Resources (Financial Provisioning) Bill 2018 establishes a financial provisioning scheme to replace the current financial assurance arrangements for resource activities and a legislative basis for the Mined Land Rehabilitation framework.
2. The Bill will require mine operators with a site specific environmental authority to prepare a plan for how and when mined land is rehabilitated, to complete the actions in the plan when stated, and to report to the community on the progress in delivering the rehabilitation commitments.
3. The *Financial Assurance Review – Providing Surety* consultation report summarises the issues raised in submissions from stakeholders on the *Financial Assurance Review – Providing Surety* discussion paper and provides the Government’s response to those matters.
4. The *Waste Reduction and Recycling Amendment Act 2017* provides for a container refund scheme that encourages consumers to collect empty beverage containers for recycling by providing for refund amounts to be paid for the containers with the scheme to be administered by the Product Responsibility Organisation. The Bill amends the Act in relation to the commencement date for the container refund scheme.
5. Cabinet approved the Mineral and Energy Resources (Financial Provisioning) Bill 2018 be introduced into the Legislative Assembly.
6. Cabinet approved the release of the *Financial Assurance Review – Providing Surety* consultation report.
7. *Attachments*
* [Mineral and Energy (Financial Provisioning) Bill 2018](Attachments/Bill.PDF)
* [Explanatory Notes](Attachments/ExNotes.PDF)
* [*Financial Assurance Review – Providing Surety* consultation report](Attachments/Report.PDF)