1. On 7 September 2018, the *Review of the Regulated Waste Classification and Waste- Related Environmentally Relevant Activity (ERA) Frameworks Decision Regulatory Impact Statement* was published.
2. The *Environmental Protection (Waste ERA Framework) Amendment Regulation 2018* subject of the regulatory impact statement amends the *Environmental Protection Regulation 2008* to reform the environmentally relevant activity regulatory framework in Queensland. This complements the reforms to the regulated waste framework and the implementation of the proposed Waste Levy in Queensland.
3. The *Waste Reduction and Recycling (Container Refund Scheme) Amendment Regulation 2018* (Waste (CRS) Regulation) gives effect to the container refund scheme provisions of the *Waste Reduction and Recycling Act 2011*.
4. The Waste (CRS) Regulation provides for the refund amount to be set at 10 cents, the exclusion of particular liquids and containers, the definition for small beverage manufacturers, scheme payment frequency for small beverage manufacturers, arrangements for recovery amount payments between a local government and a material recovery facility operator under a recovery sharing arrangement and the date by when the refund mark is to be displayed on a container.
5. Cabinet noted the progress to commence the container refund scheme including:
* over 250 container collection agreements (required for container refund point sites) had been executed
* the benefit that local community groups, schools and not-for-profit organisations can gain by registering to electronically receive donated refund amounts, or by establishing their own physical donation points
* the Department of Environment and Science would commission work to monitor the impacts on beverage product pricing as a result of the introduction of the scheme
1. Cabinet endorsed that the *Environmental Protection (Waste ERA Framework) Amendment Regulation 2018* be recommended to the Governor in Council for approval.
2. Cabinet endorsed that the *Waste Reduction and Recycling (Container Refund Scheme) Amendment Regulation 2018* be recommended to the Governor in Council for approval.
3. *Attachments*
* [*Environmental Protection (Waste ERA Framework) Amendment Regulation 2018*](Attachments/ERAReg.PDF)
* [Explanatory Notes - *Environmental Protection (Waste ERA Framework) Amendment Regulation 2018*](Attachments/ExNotes%20ERAReg.PDF)
* [*Waste Reduction and Recycling (Container Refund Scheme) Amendment Regulation 2018*](Attachments/CRSReg.PDF)
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