1. The Queensland University of Technology (QUT) is a public university established by the *Queensland University of Technology Act 1998* (QUT Act).
2. The QUT Act establishes the QUT Council (the Council) as the governing body responsible for ensuring QUT’s proper and effective management and operation. QUT’s 22-member Council is one of the largest governing bodies of Queensland’s public universities.
3. The Queensland University of Technology Amendment Bill 2021 (the Bill) amends the QUT Act to change the composition of the Council to allow for a more flexible and streamlined governance, by reducing the size of the Council members as follows:
	* three official members (no change);
	* three Governor in Council appointed members (reduced from eight);
	* five elected members (reduced from nine) comprising of:
		+ two members of the academic staff of the QUT (reduced from three);
		+ one member of the professional staff of the QUT (reduced from two);
		+ two members of the students of the QUT (changed from two students to one undergraduate student and one postgraduate student);
		+ nil QUT alumni members (reduced from two); and
	* four additional members (an increase from two, and that at least two additional members to be alumni of QUT).
4. Cabinet approved that the Queensland University of Technology Amendment Bill 2021 be introduced into the Legislative Assembly.
5. *Attachments*:
* [Queensland University of Technology Amendment Bill 2021](Attachments/Bill.PDF)
* [Explanatory Notes](Attachments/ExNotes.PDF)
* [Human Rights Statement of Compatibility](Attachments/SoC.PDF)