1. On 29 July 2021, the Minister for Employment and Small Business and Minister for Training and Skills Development announced the Queensland Training Ombudsman (QTO) would examine the support available for Queensland apprentices and trainees, with a focus on the support for female apprentices and trainees in traditionally male-dominated occupations.
2. On 31 January 2022, Mr Geoff Favell, QTO submitted the *Review of Support provided to Queensland Apprentices and Trainees, with a focus on female apprentices in male dominated occupations* (Review), including recommendations to enhance apprenticeship and traineeship outcomes to contribute to meeting current and future workforce needs.
3. The Queensland Government accepts the 12 recommendations made by the QTO and acknowledges the important contribution of the Office of the QTO in strengthening the State’s vocational education and training sector, in line with the functions of the office established by the *Further Education and Training Act 2014* (the FET Act).
4. The Government Response aims to increase the efficiency of the apprenticeship system in Queensland with a focus on day-to-day support, workplace culture, gender equity, engaging underutilised labour market cohorts and dispelling negative perceptions.
5. Cabinet noted the contents of the Queensland Training Ombudsman Review of Support provided to Queensland Apprentices and Trainees, with a focus on female apprentices in male dominated occupations (Review).
6. Cabinet approved the Government Response to the Review, including the public release of the Review and the Government Response.
7. *Attachments*:
	* *Review of Support provided to Queensland Apprentices and Trainees, with focus on female apprentices in male dominated occupations*
	* Government response