1. The Emergency Services Reform Amendment package is the first stage of emergency service and disaster management reforms being undertaken to meet recommendations made in the following reviews: the ‘*Independent review of Queensland Fire and Emergency Services’* and the ‘*Review of Queensland’s Disaster Management Arrangements (QDMA)’.*
2. The Emergency Services Reform Amendment package involves:

* establishing a new statewide marine rescue service called Marine Rescue Queensland (MRQ) through amendments in the Marine Rescue Queensland Bill 2023;
* establishing the State Emergency Service (SES) through amendments in the State Emergency Service Bill 2023;
* the Emergency Services Reform Amendment Bill 2023 will:
  + make the necessary administrative and consequential amendments to align MRQ and the SES under the operation of the Queensland Police Service; and
  + establish within the *Disaster Management Act 2003*, the State Disaster Management Group which will:
    - provide strategic oversight in the preparation for, and leading into, a disaster event;
    - act as a precursor to the convening of the Queensland Disaster Management Committee (QDMC); and
    - provide advice or recommendations about disaster management strategies and policies to the QDMC.

1. Cabinet approved that the Emergency Services Reform Amendment Bill 2023, the Marine Rescue Queensland Bill 2023 and the State Emergency Service Bill 2023 be introduced into the Legislative Assembly.
2. Cabinet noted that the Bills be referred to an appropriate Parliamentary Portfolio Committee for consideration and report.
3. *Attachments*:

* [Emergency Services Reform Amendment Bill 2023](https://dpcqld.sharepoint.com/sites/DPC-CABINETSERVICES/Shared%20Documents/General/Proactive%20Release/ToBeProcessed/2023/Nov/ESReform/Attachments/Bill1.PDF)
* [Explanatory Notes for the Emergency Services Reform Amendment Bill 2023](https://dpcqld.sharepoint.com/sites/DPC-CABINETSERVICES/Shared%20Documents/General/Proactive%20Release/ToBeProcessed/2023/Nov/ESReform/Attachments/ExNotes1.PDF)
* [Statement of Compatibility for the Emergency Services Reform Amendment Bill 2023](https://dpcqld.sharepoint.com/sites/DPC-CABINETSERVICES/Shared%20Documents/General/Proactive%20Release/ToBeProcessed/2023/Nov/ESReform/Attachments/SoC1.PDF)
* [Marine Rescue Queensland Bill 2023](https://dpcqld.sharepoint.com/sites/DPC-CABINETSERVICES/Shared%20Documents/General/Proactive%20Release/ToBeProcessed/2023/Nov/ESReform/Attachments/Bill2.PDF)
* [Explanatory Notes for the Marine Rescue Queensland Bill 2023](https://dpcqld.sharepoint.com/sites/DPC-CABINETSERVICES/Shared%20Documents/General/Proactive%20Release/ToBeProcessed/2023/Nov/ESReform/Attachments/ExNotes2.PDF)
* [Statement of Compatibility for the Marine Rescue Queensland Bill 2023](https://dpcqld.sharepoint.com/sites/DPC-CABINETSERVICES/Shared%20Documents/General/Proactive%20Release/ToBeProcessed/2023/Nov/ESReform/Attachments/SoC2.PDF)
* [State Emergency Service Bill 2023](https://dpcqld.sharepoint.com/sites/DPC-CABINETSERVICES/Shared%20Documents/General/Proactive%20Release/ToBeProcessed/2023/Nov/ESReform/Attachments/Bill3.PDF)
* [Explanatory Notes for the State Emergency Service Bill 2023](https://dpcqld.sharepoint.com/sites/DPC-CABINETSERVICES/Shared%20Documents/General/Proactive%20Release/ToBeProcessed/2023/Nov/ESReform/Attachments/ExNotes3.PDF)
* [Statement of Compatibility for the State Emergency Service Bill 2023](https://dpcqld.sharepoint.com/sites/DPC-CABINETSERVICES/Shared%20Documents/General/Proactive%20Release/ToBeProcessed/2023/Nov/ESReform/Attachments/SoC3.PDF)