1. Section 123 of the *Right to Information Act 2009* (the RTI Act) establishes the Information Commissioner and Office of the Information Commissioner (OIC) and provides that the Information Commissioner is an officer of the Parliament.
2. The OIC is an independent statutory body whose role is to:
* promote access to government-held information;
* protect people’s personal information held by the public sector;
* provide information and assistance to support the Queensland public sector to comply with the law;
* review Government agency decisions regarding access and amendment applications;
* deal with privacy complaints; and
* make decisions on whether an agency’s privacy obligation can be waived or modified.
1. The Information Commissioner has functions under both the RTI Act and *Information Privacy Act 2009* (IP Act) that include:
* support and guidance for agencies and members of the public in relation to the RTI Act and IP Act;
* reviewing and reporting on agencies in relation to the operation and compliance with the RTI Act and IP Act; and
* investigating and reviewing decisions of agencies and Ministers made subject to external review under the RTI Act and IP Act.
1. Cabinet endorsed that Ms Joanne Kummrow be recommended to the Governor in Council for appointment as the Information Commissioner for a term of three years commencing on and from a date to be negotiated with Ms Kummrow following Cabinet approval.
2. Cabinet noted that consultation will occur with the Legal Affairs and Safety Committee prior to seeking Governor in Council approval as required by the *Right to Information Act 2009*.
3. *Attachments*
* Nil.