

FACT SHEET

TRAFFIC (ELECTRONIC BILLBOARDS) AMENDMENT BILL 2022

This legislation is designed to:

- improve the efficiency of the electronic billboard approval process administered by the Transport Commission under the *Traffic Act 1925*; and
- update the Act to reflect contemporary road management practices where field-based contractors respond to issues on the road network at the direction of appropriately authorised officers within the road authority.

This legislation amends the Act to allow for:

- an electronic billboard approval to cover multiple billboards (negating the need for multiple permits to be prepared)
- an electronic billboard approval to be given for whatever period or periods the Commission, or its delegate, determines
- an electronic billboard approval to be renewed, transferred, amended, or otherwise modified as the Commission, or its delegate, sees fit
- an officer to authorise another person (such as a contractor) to seize and remove unauthorised or unsafe billboards on their behalf

The number of applications for electronic billboards is increasing every year and the Bill is required to assist the Transport Commission, and those supporting the Commission, to more efficiently and flexibly administer electronic billboard approvals.

The new arrangements will come into effect upon Royal Assent.