1. On 14 December 2008, the Queensland Government announced the most comprehensive review of the state’s swimming pool safety laws in nearly 20 years. An independent swimming pool safety committee was then established and presented 23 improvement ideas to the Government for consideration. Following extensive public consultation, the Government adopted all the swimming pool safety review committee’s improvement ideas.
2. It is estimated that the pool fencing laws first introduced in 1991 have saved the lives of over 70 young children between 1992 and 2001. However, drowning and immersion injuries to young children aged under five years remain a serious risk. 35 young children have drowned in residential swimming pools in the last six years.
3. Cabinet approved the release of the swimming pool safety review Regulatory Impact Statement for consultation.
4. *Attachments*
* [Swimming Pool Safety review Regulatory Impact Statement](Attachments/BOLA%20RIS.pdf)