1. The current Queensland legislation regulating animal exhibition is fragmented and there are gaps in the management of some animal welfare and safety risks. Some exhibitors need multiple licences (each with their own fees and processes) because they are regulated under more than one Act. Some species cannot be exhibited at all, even if the associated risks can be minimised.
2. The reforms contained in the Exhibited Animals Bill 2015 were first proposed under the Bligh Labor Government when it released a discussion paper, *Exhibited Animals*, in 2008. It is largely based on the *Exhibited Animals Bill 2014* that lapsed when Parliament was dissolved for the 2015 election.
3. The Exhibited Animals Bill 2015 would establish a cohesive, comprehensive and consistent framework for regulation of the industry that addresses risks to animal welfare, biosecurity and safety. It would also simplify licensing of animal exhibition and allow a greater range of species to be exhibited in Queensland, provided the risks can be minimised.
4. Cabinet approved the introduction of the Exhibited Animals Bill 2015 into the Legislative Assembly.
5. *Attachments*
* [Exhibited Animals Bill 2015](Attachments/Bill.PDF)
* [Explanatory Notes – Exhibited Animals Bill 2015](Attachments/ExNotes.PDF)