1. In 2016 the Queensland Government established Jobs Queensland (JQ) through the *Jobs Queensland Act 2015* (the Act) as an independent statutory entity to provide advice to government on anticipated skills demand, future workforce planning and development, and the apprenticeship and traineeship system.
2. The Act provide that the Jobs Queensland Board consists of:
   * at least seven but no more than twelve members appointed by the Governor in Council
   * at least one person the Minister considers represents employers and at least one person the Minister considers represents employees, with an equal number of both represented.
   * at least one person the Minister considers has direct experience in the education, training or employment sectors.
   * a member other than a member mentioned in the above must have:
     1. experience in a particular industry or
     2. other knowledge, experience or standing relevant to Jobs Queensland’s functions.
3. Section 11 of the Act provides that the Chairperson of JQ is the member appointed as chairperson by the Governor in Council.
4. Cabinet endorsed that the following nominees be recommended to the Governor in Council for appointment to Jobs Queensland for terms commencing on 8 December 2023:

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| **NAME** | **POSITION** | **NEW/REAPPOINT/TERM** |
| Mr James Varghese | Chairperson and Member | New appointment for a term of four years |
| Ms Heidi Cooper | Member | Reappointment for a term of four years |
| Mr Michael Dart | Member | New appointment for a term of four years |
| Ms Donisha Duff | Member | New appointment for a term of four years |
| Mr Bernard Hogan | Member | New appointment for a term of four years |
| Mr Trent Young | Member | New appointment for a term of four years |
| Ms Katherine Venables | Member | New appointment for a term of four years |
| Ms Jennifer Thomas | Member | Reappointment for a term of two years |
| Ms Danielle Carey | Member | New appointment for a term of two years |
| Mr Walter Kuhn | Member | New appointment for a term of two years |
| Dr Michael Drew | Member | New appointment for a term of two years |

1. *Attachments*:

* Nil.