

# Construction Occupations (Licensing) (Fees) Determination 2024 (No 1)

## Disallowable instrument DI2024-36

made under the

**Construction Occupations (Licensing) Act 2004, s 127 (Determination of fees)**

## EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

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Section 127 of the *Construction Occupations (Licensing) Act 2004* (the *Act*) permits the Minister to determine fees for the purposes of the Act.

This instrument contains a single additional fee for endorsements issued under section 31D of the *Construction Occupations (Licensing) Regulation 2004* applicable to licensed electricians applying for an endorsement to work on distributed energy resources (DER). All other fees are unchanged.

The instrument commences 11 March 2024 when section 42 of the *Building and Construction Legislation Amendment Act 2023* commences. Section 42 inserts new section 31D into the *Construction Occupations (Licensing) Regulation 2004* which establishes the new licensing endorsement for electricians.

This instrument revokes the *Construction Occupations (Licensing) (Fees) Determination 2023* (DI2023-126).

The determination under section 127 of the Act is a disallowable instrument and must be presented to the Legislative Assembly within 6 sitting days after its notification pursuant to section 64 of the Legislation Act.

### Regulatory Impact Statement (RIS)

Section 34 of the *Legislation Act 2001* provides that if a proposed subordinate law or disallowable instrument (the proposed law) is likely to impose appreciable costs on the community, or a part of the community, then, before the proposed law is made, the Minister administering the authorising law must arrange for a RIS to be prepared for the proposed law.

A RIS is not required as this instrument is not expected to impose appreciable costs on the community or part of the community. The cost for an application for licence endorsement is currently \$72 (2023-24 financial year) and is a one-off fee - the endorsement remains on the licence indefinitely. If applying for more than one type of endorsement, the \$72 fee covers all types of endorsement if they are applied for at

the same time.

The cost for electricians for the application for endorsement is significantly less than the cost of Climate Energy Council (CEC) accreditation currently paid by electricians installing DER under the Small-scale Renewable Energy Scheme.

**Human Rights**

The Standing Committee on Justice and Community Safety (Legislative Scrutiny Role) terms of reference require consideration of human rights impacts, among other matters. In this case, no human rights are impacted.