

First Home Owner Grant (Amount) Determination 2019 (No 1)

Disallowable instrument DI2019–138

made under the

First Home Owner Grant Act 2000, section 18 (1) (b) (Amount of grant)

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

This instrument implements the decision in the 2018-19 Budget to end the first home owner grant (the FHOG) from 1 July 2019 by making the amount of the FHOG receivable, on or after 1 July 2019, a nil amount. This enables the continued operation of the *First Home Owner Grant Act 2000* (the Act) for transactions entered into on or before 30 June 2019.

Details of this Instrument

Section 18 (1) of the Act states that the amount of the FHOG is the lesser of:

- the consideration for the eligible transaction;
- an amount determined by the Minister by disallowable instrument.

To give effect to the decision to end the FHOG on or after 1 July 2019, the Minister determines for the purposes of section 18 (1) (b) that the amount of the FHOG will be a nil amount.

Accordingly, from 1 July 2019 the amount of the FHOG will be nil, being the lesser of the consideration for the eligible transaction and a nil amount, as determined in this instrument. In effect anyone applying for the FHOG in respect of an eligible transaction entered into on or after 1 July 2019 will not receive any FHOG monies.

This instrument revokes the *First Home Owner Grant (Amount) Determination 2016 (No 1)* DI2016-306 and makes provision for transitional periods as follows:

- The *First Home Owner Grant (Amount) Determination 2015 (No 1)* DI2015-247 continues to apply to eligible transactions with a commencement date in the period 1 January 2016 to 31 December 2016, inclusive. This instrument determined a FHOG amount of \$10,000.
- DI2016-306 continues to apply to eligible transactions with a commencement date in the period 1 January 2017 to 30 June 2019, inclusive. This instrument determined a FHOG amount of \$7,000.

The terms *eligible transaction* and *commencement date* are defined in section 13 of the Act.

Authorised by the Treasurer
Andrew Barr MLA