

QUEENSLAND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS COMMISSION

CITATION: *In the making of the Parliamentary Service Electorate Staff Certified Agreement 2020 [2020] QIRC 134*

PARTIES: **State of Queensland (Queensland Parliamentary Service)**

AND

Queensland Services Union, Industrial Union of Employees

Together Queensland, Industrial Union of Employees

United Voice, Industrial Union of Employees, Queensland

CASE NO: CB/2020/64

PROCEEDING: Application for certification of an agreement

DELIVERED ON: 27 August 2020

HEARING DATE: 27 August 2020

HEARD AT: On the papers

MEMBER: Industrial Commissioner Dwyer

ORDER: **1. *The Parliamentary Service Electorate Staff Certified Agreement 2020 is certified.***

CATCHWORDS: INDUSTRIAL LAW – COLLECTIVE BARGAINING – Application for certification of an agreement – Requirements for certification – Agreement certified

LEGISLATION: *Industrial Relations Act 2016*

Industrial Relations (Tribunals) Rules 2011

Reasons for Decision

- [1] On 21 August 2020, the Clerk of the Parliament in the at the State of Queensland (Queensland Parliamentary Service), pursuant to s 189 of the *Industrial Relations Act 2016* ('the Act'), made an application to certify the *Parliamentary Service Electorate Staff Certified Agreement 2020* ('the Agreement').
- [2] The Agreement names the parties as the State of Queensland (Queensland Parliamentary Service) ('the applicant') and the following employee organisations:
- Queensland Services Union, Industrial Union of Employees;
 - Together Queensland, Industrial Union of Employees; and
 - United Voice, Industrial Union of Employees, Queensland.
- [3] Clause 1.2 (1) of the Agreement states it is binding on:
- Employees employed under s.26AA of the *Parliamentary Service Act 1988* working in electorate offices established by Members of Parliament for whom rates of pay, conditions of employment and entitlements are provided for in this Agreement; and
 - The employee organisations named above at [2].
- [4] Having regard to the two affidavits of Neil Laurie which were both filed 21 August 2020:
- I am satisfied of each relevant requirement in ch 4, pt 5, div 2, sub-div 2 of the Act; and
 - There is nothing in the Agreement which would require me to refuse to grant the application pursuant to ch 4, pt 5, div 2, sub-div 3 of the Act.
- [5] The application to certify the *Parliamentary Service Electorate Staff Certified Agreement 2020* is granted.
- [6] The *Parliamentary Service Electorate Staff Certified Agreement 2020* operates from the day it is certified, namely 27 August 2020.
- [7] Although the nominal expiry date of the *Parliamentary Service Electorate Staff Certified Agreement 2020* is 31 August 2023, it continues to operate until it is terminated under s 227 or s 228 of the Act.

[8] I make the following order:

1. **The *Parliamentary Service Electorate Staff Certified Agreement 2020* is certified.**