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Committee Secretary
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Submission on the subject bill submitted by Michael Berkman, MP, Maiwar.

Dear People,

With the most extreme fire season in Queensland in decades, thousands of students protesting the lack of action on the part of the government to combat Global Warming, and irrefutable data from a multitude of international organisations, this Bill is essential if we are to have a chance to meet our obligations under the Paris Agreement to keep temperature increases below 1.5 degrees C . Planetary temperatures have been climbing for 406 months, according to NASA, and the IPCC's recent reports highlight the need for urgent action to stop the burning of fossil fuels. The meetings in Poland right now are reinforcing the need for immediate action to reduce the pollution in our atmosphere. Allianz Insurance has recently rated Australia with a zero on it's efforts to meet the Paris targets, the only developed country to receive this low rating.

So, it is up to YOU to take immediate action to stop the unnecessary burning of coal! It has been well demonstrated (Beyond Zero Emissions, etc.) that Australia doesn't need to burn thermal coal as ALL our base load requirements can be met with Concentrated Solar Thermal (mirrors) power plants, wind farms, and PV rooftop and solar farms. These technologies (& jobs) are exportable and usable in all countries and it is well past time that we move to renewables as quickly as possible. We no longer have the century, or even decades, to delay, as the Climate Change deniers insist. Do the right thing, and pass this Bill as soon as possible.

Regards,

Jonathan Peter

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