

**State Development, Natural Resources and Agricultural Industry Development Committee**

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Dear Chair and Committee Members,

This submission is in support of the Mineral Resources (Galilee Basin) Amendment Bill 2018.

I am a young graduate teacher, and I am a constituent of the Electorate of Melbourne. I write to you with deep concern and worry.

In the last fortnight Australia has seen horrible fires and cyclones, flash flooding and sandstorms. Bats (crucial and main pollinator of Eucalyptus forests) literally dropping from the sky with the burning heatwave. Our reef is on the verge of collapse, unlikely to withstand another fatal bleaching. Last couple weeks saw thousands of Australian children took to the streets to get governments to pay attention, globally, people are taking to the streets demanding to put climate action as first priority, for the sake of their future, and our Earth. The UN has warned a 12 year window to prevent complete climate catastrophe as the IPCC recent report outlines how dire the situation is.

If we have any hopes of minimising this climate emergency, and keeping our precious Great Barrier Reef safe, we need to do EVERYTHING we can commit to the Paris Climate Agreements and commit to keeping global warming below 1.5 degrees.

I strongly support the Bill's aim to:

1. terminate existing coal mine leases in the Galilee Basin
2. Prohibit grants of new coal mining leases for land in Galilee Basin
3. Amend existing coal mining leases which overlap with land in the Galilee Basin to exclude that land
4. Confirm that no compensation is payable to the mining lease holders affected by the Bill.
5. require the mines minister to table a report in the Legislative Assembly summarising the actions taken under the provisions of the Bill

These are all 100% necessary and need to be enforced if we are to limit global warming, and avoid the extinction of the human race.

Thank you for your consideration of my submission.

Kind regards,

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