State Development, Natural Resources and Agricultural Industry Development Committee

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Dear Chair and Committee Members,

I am writing this submission in support of the Mineral Resources (Galilee Basin) Amendment Bill 2018.

I am a school teacher and my students are terrified. They are scared that their world is going to end and they have absolutely no control over it. They are afraid that their voices aren't being heard and even if they are, they are being ignored. They are scared to grow up in a world of natural disasters, extinct species and extreme heat.

To be honest, I am afraid too.

I'm afraid that those who can actually take action on these issues aren't going to act, preferring to sit on their hands and collect their donations in an effort to keep the rich happy.

When this world ends, how much money you have won't be a concern.

The people of Australia are calling for change. They are calling for action and for our spineless politicians to actually represent the view of the people. Renewable energy won't fix all of our problems but it's a damn good place to start.

We have already destroyed a lot of the amazing reef we were gifted with, Adani and their mine threaten this beautiful natural landmark even more. We should be putting efforts into creating jobs and infrastructure for renewables, not entertaining an overseas mining giant with a proven track record of lies and deceit.

There is a movement happening, the people won't wait for the government to ruin our country, our environment and our world. The politicians need to get on board before the people completely lose faith in the democracy of this country.

If we are to have any hope of stopping catastrophic climate change and saving our precious Great Barrier Reef, we need to do everything we can to meet our commitments to limit global warming to below 1.5 degrees.

I support the Bill's intent to terminate existing coal mining leases in the Galilee Basin, and prohibit grant of new coal mining leases for land in the Galilee Basin. In addition, I believe it should be amended to prevent all new thermal coal and gas projects in Queensland to ensure we are doing all that we can to reduce the risks of dangerous climate change.

Thank you for your consideration of my submission.

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