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To: State Development, Natural Resources and Agricultural Industry Development Committee

Subject: Submission on the Mineral Resources (Galilee Basin) Amendment Bill 2018

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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.

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.

I would like to add that parliamentarians are elected to represent everyone and safeguard a sustainable future. Establishing new coal mines will help a small group of wealthy individuals in the short term and threaten the future of the majority - if not all - of us, along with the environment we depend on.

We need a planned transition to renewable energy (create new jobs in these industries) and a halt on further emissions to ensure our prosperity and health into the future. Please lead the people rather than following the will of big business. Thank you for your consideration of my submission.

Yours sincerely,

