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

Subject: Mineral and 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 and Resources (Galilee Basin) Amendment Bill 2018.

I am a Queensland resident currently undertaking research in mathematics and engineering with the University of Queensland.

I grew up in Cairns, a city where the biggest employer is the tourism industry, and I have seen the devastating impact climate change has had on the Great Barrier Reef. This has led to a dramatic decrease in the number of tourists who visit and resulted in a loss of jobs in this area. Many areas of Australia have had similar problems.

As a young person, I am also concerned about the sustainability of our country if there is not a greater move towards renewable energy. I feel that my generation, as those who will soon inherit this country, need to be considered, and long term planning needs to be a focus, instead of choosing gain now at the expense of the future.

It is for this reason that I offer my support of this bill, and urge the Queensland government to support it also.

Thank you for your consideration of my submission.

Regards Erin Kenny