From: _____

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

Subject: Opposition to proposed Bill

Date:

Committee Secretary

State Development, Natural Resources and Agricultural Industry Development Committee Parliament House George Street Brisbane Old 4000

Email: sdnraidc@parliament.qld.gov.au

As one of the 316,000 Queenslanders whose job depends upon the resources sector, I strongly oppose the *Mineral Resources (Galilee Basin) Amendment Bill 2018* proposed by the Greens' Member for the Brisbane-based seat of MaiwarMichael Berkman.

This Bill is an affront to not only those of us who work in the industry, but to our families and our communities.

The Bill is a deliberate attempt to stop the industry from continuing to provide jobs and economic benefit for Queensland through investment, exports and royalties to the Queensland Government.

All mining projects are subject to rigorous environmental assessment by the Queensland and Commonwealth Governments. Only projects can proceed once that assessment has been done and the project can only operate in accordance with the

As the Committee has noted, the Bill proposes a range of measures, including:

- prohibits the grant of a coal mining lease for land in the Galilee Basin;
- terminates any existing coal mining leases for land in the Galilee Basin;
- amends any existing coal mining leases which overlap with land in the Galilee Basin to exclude that land; and
- confirms that no compensation is payable to the mining lease holders affected by the Bill.

These measures, if adopted, would wreak havoc with the Queensland economy and Queensland's hard-won reputation as an energy and export State.

The Bill is draconian, and it would not be accepted by another industry in any other democratic jurisdiction around the world.

Therefore, I urge the Committee is unanimously reject this Bill.