Climate Change (National Framework for Adaptation and Mitigation) Bill 2020 and Climate Change (National Framework for Adaptation and Mitigation) (Consequential and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2020 Submission 8

To the Lawmakers,

An effective climate change bill is possibly the most important legislation a government can create for their country and people. If only we'd had this years ago. Climate change is the biggest issue of all of our lives and no one is taking it seriously enough. All Australians, all people are in danger because of climate change, and it is directly our fault, and by coming together and creating meaningful and impactful law we can change things. With this climate change bill we can start on the road to recovery.

The objectives and long-term reduction of emissions will help slow down climate change. Net Zero by 2050 is so that we can transition at a pace that our economy can withstand. It is so important to save the planet and to get everyone on board, to get everyone to understand why this needs to be enacted. Without this law, Australia will continue to grow in emissions and climate change will get worse.

Australia has been through so many natural disasters. Although we cannot control these, we can be far more prepared. They are an inevitable eventuality of climate change, and this bill will help us to become as prepared as possible.

We need to obtain and develop the best possible technology in order to study, adapt to and fix our contribution to climate change. This bill will assist in us learning about, regulating and spreading those technologies.

The independent climate change commission needs to be formed immediately, with the people involved having expert skills and knowledge on our environment. It needs to be facts and science based. We are running out of time. It can't be about money or politics; we need action and teamwork. It needs to be transparent, ethical and independent of all party affiliations.

Thank you for reading.

Sincerely,

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