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Dear Committee Secretary

Firstly, I should point out I work in health care. This then underpins my next few questions. Are you living on the same rock as me?

Have you seen the state of the royal Hobart hospital? Don't get sick. Our health system is utterly broken. There's zero surge capacity for emergency medical in Tasmania.

We all have loved ones in their more fragile years & they can't afford a stadium. Private hospitals don't take sick patients.

I have countless examples of medical emergencies sitting untreated or even seen by a Dr for hours. I know a stadium is worth votes but what price would you put on your previously mentioned loved one's health care?

As a taxpayer I object to public funding going towards this project when thousands of Tasmanians can't get a home, more than 55,000 Tasmanians are on the health waiting list to see a specialist and the cost of living is making life harder for more and more Tasmanians.

The AFL shouldn't be making Tasmanians pay for a new roofed stadium to have our own Tasmanian team. No other state has been made to do this. Tasmanians have not been consulted on the chosen site and I do not support the decision made by the government.

The government has not presented a business case that outlines the merits of this project or explained why our state should be burdened with further debt when the state already has two AFL standard stadiums, one in the north and one in the south that will now go to waste.

Another stadium is the wrong priority for our state.

Kind regards
Ben Coombe

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