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My submission

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Dear Committee Secretary

I write to outline my opposition to the proposed \$750 million stadium at Macquarie Point.

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.

In addition I feel that using Macquarie Point for this project is a criminal waste. There are many other more worthy possibilities, such as a park similar to Kings Park in Perth, which would attract tourists into the city and take full advantage of this very special site. The cost of such a project would also be a great deal less than the proposed stadium.

As we already have two good stadiums in the state, surely a relatively small amount of money could bring them up to scratch. This government should not be bullied by the AFL into spending tax payers money, many of whom do not support this proposal.

