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Cable Car Facilitation (kunanyi/Mount Wellington) Bill 2017

The purpose of the Cable Car Facilitation (kunanyi/Mount Wellington) Bill 2017 is to:

- allow a planning application involving public land to be lodged and assessed without landowner consent;
- enable a cable car proponent to access areas of Wellington Park for necessary assessment and preliminary investigations needed to prepare a planning application; and
- provide a mechanism for the government to acquire public land, if required, in an open and transparent way.

The Bill will not change the requirement for a cable car proponent to secure planning and other approvals, including those designed to protect Tasmania's natural environment, heritage and Aboriginal cultural values.

The specifics of a cable car proposal, including the proposed route, will be considered through these planning and other statutory processes, which will include opportunity for public input.

The Bill confirms that any public land acquired will remain part of Wellington Park and will not be sold to a proponent or private land holder.

Matters that have not been addressed in this Bill include:

- commercial matters, such as access to private land, as these are for a project proponent to consider, manage and resolve; and
- the specific location and operational details of a cable car proposal, which will be assessed through the planning system. The Bill is not specific to a particular pathway, project or proponent.

A cable car proponent will also need to secure its own finance. The Government will not be providing any financial contribution to the project.

This Bill seeks to implement the Government's policy of balancing sustainable and sensible tourism in the Tasmania's natural areas, by facilitating the assessment of a proposal through the existing planning and statutory systems.