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To: PAC

Subject: My submission

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Dear Committee Secretary

I am writing to express my disapproval of the proposed \$750 million stadium at Macquarie Point.

I strongly object to public funding going towards this project when so many Tasmanians are facing homelessness, poor health outcomes and a cost of living crisis, amongst many other issues. In addition, as a parent of a young woman who has severe autism and a severe intellectual disability, I also am very aware how hard it is for her to obtain dental and routine health care - the lack of support for those with disabilities is appalling. I am also aware of how hard other parents in a similar situation are in, especially those who receive so little government financial support for providing a huge amount of unpaid care for their loved ones and live in poverty for their trouble.

While it might be nice for the state to have a new roofed stadium, I do not believe that it should be a priority until the above problems are resolved. Anyone who supports the stadium should put their money where their mouths are, but it should not be taxpayers who foot the bill.

Until the government fixes the problems faced by the vulnerable in our community, a new stadium absolutely should not be considered.

Yours sincerely

Sue Ferris