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To: [PAC](#)
Subject: My submission - AGAINST government funds being spent on Macquarie Point stadium
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Dear Committee Secretary

I write to outline my opposition to the proposed \$750 million stadium at Macquarie Point. To be clear, this is a utter waste of money, and will not add value to the Tasmanian economy or society post construction.

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. There are people working full time living in tents and caravan parks, if they are lucky, because they can't get anywhere to live on the income they are on. \$750m towards social housing would create more jobs, more locally, greater benefits to the economy as a whole, and alleviate the appalling homelessness issue we face as a state.

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 completely and utterly the wrong priority for our state. It is not something that should have even gotten past thought bubble stage. It is a gross and negligent potential use of taxpayer dollars that could be spent far better elsewhere. Education, health, social housing, take your pick.

If you want to spend \$ on a "legacy" / vanity project, please use your own money.

Cheers,

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Kind regards
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