

*Coal-Fired Power Funding Prohibition Bill 2017*  
*Cameron Mackay Inquiry*

My name is Cameron Mackay. I am writing this submission to the committee representing myself and several of my peers as both students of Griffith University Southport and members of the community on the sunshine and gold coasts in support of this Bill and its stated goal of ending all government funding to coal-fired power plants.

I was informed of this bill after having read an article on the SBS news website that highlighted how Australia may amount for a 17% of all global carbon emissions by 2030 if taking into account our own carbon footprint and that created as a result of our exports. Whilst this bill is only a small step it is one that must be taken to prevent our nation from digging itself further into an already deep hole.

Climate change is now an indisputable fact of science and a major point of political contention and despite Australia having historically acted as a global leader for change in both fields we have weakly put little policy into place for the biggest issue yet. As such my peers and I hereby name our support for this bill as it proves both a willingness to act and reassures us of our currently held doubts that government does not have the interests of us as voters at heart.

We are appreciative of your time

-Cameron Andrew Mackay and Peers