Budget support for Mining Notice of Motion – Parliament of Tasmania

June 2018

The Hon Guy Barnett MP [Minister for Resources] to move —That the House:-

- 1) Notes that mining and minerals processing is a key economic pillar in Tasmania, employing more than 6 300 people and accounting for over 50 per cent of our exports in 2016-17, or more than \$1.5 billion a year;
- 2) Also notes that the 2018-19 Budget includes \$2 million for the new Exploration Drilling Grant Initiative to expand the real and potential mining base industry in Tasmania through supporting increased 'greenfield' mineral exploration;
- 3) Acknowledges that this commitment sits alongside ongoing programs including the Government's:
 - a. \$1.4 million Geoscience Initiative, which aims to provide geoscientific data that will underpin the industry's future;
 - b. \$1 million Mining Sector Innovation Initiative, which will see exciting new technologies, solutions to mine rehabilitation and other cutting edge projects explored; and
 - c. Continued funding for the Mineral Exploration Investment Attraction Plan, which promotes mining and exploration in Tasmania to a national and international market.
 - 4) Notes that there is no better friend of the mining and minerals processing than the Hodgman Liberal Government.

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