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Guy Barnett, Minister for Resources 25 March 2021



Labor should be ashamed of themselves for siding with the Bob Brown Foundation and the anti-everything Greens and turning their back on Tasmanian workers, their families and businesses by voting against our Government's workplace protection laws in the Upper House.

This is the ultimate act of betrayal and a kick in the guts to the hard working Tasmanians who are being threatened and harassed by radical protestors for simply going to work.

Tasmanians deserve the right to go to work and earn a living for their family without interference from radical protesters.

I am bitterly disappointed as our legislation would have ensured that Tasmanians can operate a business and go to work without being impeded, threatened or interfered with by others and it beggars belief that Labor did not support it.

The Labor party has gone out of their way to spread misinformation about this Bill.

They said its anti-protest – it's not. It is anti-illegal invasions, threats and harassment.

They said it's anti-union — it's not. Legal industrial action is exempt from this Bill.

They say it's anti-nurses and teachers – it's not. The Act clearly excludes hospitals, schools and multiple locations.

Our Government respects the right of every Tasmanian to protest peacefully and lawfully,

Labor has let down Tasmanian workers, not backed Tasmanian businesses and should be ashamed of themselves.

