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Dear scrutiny committee and Khoda Patel,

I emphatically oppose the territory coordinator role. I urge the scrutiny committee to ensure it does not get passed.

As a pharmacist, I am concerned about the health ramifications for my fellow Territorians.

It looks like this law, should it pass, is going to allow fracking and other fossil fuel projects to pass more easily. It allows these projects to bypass environmental and sacred site laws, both of which are crucial to ensuring these projects are as safe as possible.

With every mining project more carbon dioxide is released and global warming worsens. Bushfires in 2020 causes huge amounts of damage and contributed to respiratory hospital admissions in the area.

Reference: <https://www.aihw.gov.au/reports/environment-and-health/data-update-health-impacts-2019-20-bushfires/contents/admitted-patients-hospitalisations/respiratory-conditions>

This new law could remove community input from decisions about climate impacting projects. It could also remove government oversight, leaving decisions in the hands of an unqualified unelected bureaucrat. Additionally the current person in the role used to work in the oil and gas industry, raising concerns about his capacity to make fair and unbiased decisions.

Best regards,

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