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I am a Territory resident of 22 years and am writing to express my concern about the proposed Territory Coordinator legislation. I believe it puts too much power in the hands of the Chief Minister and an unelected beaurocrat.

No one should have the power to disregard laws which have been put in place to protect the safety and well-being of Territorians and our environment. It is insanity to ignore laws about, for example, the transport of dangerous goods or the storage of nuclear waste. Experts have developed these laws for the safety of us all. If the laws listed in the proposal are to be changed or amended it should be through proper processes, not at the whim of one person.

It is also a huge concern that our health and safety may be gambled to fast track fossil fuel projects. It is high time to rethink our dependence on oil and gas projects and build our economy around renewables. Projects like Inpex create a boom and bust economy with an influx of workers during the construction phase, but a small ongoing workforce. I would like to see the NT govt consulting with all stakeholders including traditional owners to preserve our amazing environment for future generations while building a solid economy.

I strongly oppose the creation of a mechanism whereby legitimate objection and scrutiny can be overridden. Your government promised to be transparent and accountable, the proposed office of Territory Coordinator would be a complete betrayal of that promise.

Yours sincerely
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