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The Secretary
Social Policy Scrutiny Committee
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Dear Sir/Madam,

Submission to the Social Policy Scrutiny Committee on the Environment Protection Bill 2019

I consider myself a Territorian having lived in Darwin since 1990, raised a family here and plan to retire here. I feel privileged to live in a place that has beautiful wild places to visit with unique landscapes, fauna, flora and cultural values. I enjoy the more than 30 species of birds that visit my garden as well as occasional possums, bandicoots and other wildlife. I am writing this submission because I am concerned about protecting the environments of the Northern Territory. There are some gaps in the Environment Protection Bill 2019 that I have highlighted below.

I believe that climate change is one of the major threats to our lifestyle in the NT and thus believe that the legislation should include climate change impacts as a mandatory consideration in the assessment of development proposals.

I am dismayed at the lack of accountability and recall evident in the environmental approval system and believe that all those who have made submissions regards a proposal should have the right to access merit and judicial review.

This legislation should be focused on protection of the natural, physical and cultural environment and the word economic should be deleted from the definition of environment.

Yours sincerely

