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Dear Committee,

I'm writing to put forth my opposition to the Territory Coordinator. I'll clearly outline my reasons why I strongly believe the Territory Coordinator Bill should NOT pass:

1. This bill gives the Chief Minister and Territory Controller excessive power, centralising decision-making in just a few people and bypassing established processes. It not only places significant authority in the hands of the Chief Minister, but also in the hands of an unelected official. Compared to other Australian states like South Australia and Queensland, this bill goes further, posing a risky and unprecedented move to concentrate power and undermine open discussion.
2. The Northern Territory is already dealing with significant environmental challenges, such as excessive water extraction and the growth of the fossil fuel industry, which contributes to greenhouse gas emissions. This legislation would reduce the limited oversight currently in place for these projects, possibly eliminating public consultation and environmental assessments—processes that give communities a chance to voice concerns about the potential risks of such projects.
3. Prioritising economic prosperity above health, safety, and environmental concerns is risky and could result in negative outcomes for both people and the environment. Projects like fracking and large-scale agribusinesses don't actually bring better economic benefits to most Territorians, especially with the current inadequate royalty regime, which means the community doesn't receive a fair share of revenue from large projects. Additionally, these industries often depend on fly-in, fly-out workers, rather than creating lasting local jobs.

These points are why I believe that the Assembly should NOT pass the Territory Coordinator Bill.

Thank you for considering my submission.

Kind regards,
Angus.