



## MEDIA RELEASE

### **Deloitte report reflects Hodgman Government's long-term Plan**

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**Peter Gutwein, Treasurer**

The special report released by Deloitte ahead of the election reflects many of the initiatives and goals in the Government's long-term Plan for Tasmania.

Significantly, Deloitte has called for the extension of all high schools to year 12 to continue. This is a significant rebuke for Labor, who have campaigned on rolling back schools and taking year 12 options away. Our plan to extend high schools is working. Already we have seen a significant increase in the number of students enrolling in years 11 and 12 and completing year 12.

This policy is fundamental for the Tasmanian community and more broadly the Tasmanian economy and Labor should immediately get on board so that we can have a bi-partisan approach to improving education outcomes in Tasmania.

We have also launched a targeted campaign to encourage Tasmanians living interstate to move home, especially ex-pat Tasmanians that have valuable skills that our community needs.

The Hodgman Government has a clear plan to keep taxes low by not

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introducing any new taxes or increasing any existing taxes and to reduce the cost of living and doing business in Tasmania through lower water and sewerage prices and lower power prices.

We are investing in training and skills, including by supporting an additional 4,500 new apprenticeships.

We are also working with local government to deliver grassroots change to make sure local government can offer the best possible services at the lowest cost to ratepayers.

Unlike Labor, which offers no solutions and has no clear plan for the State other than more minority government chaos, a re-elected majority Hodgman Liberal Government has a clear long-term Plan to take Tasmania to the next level.

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