Retail booming under a majority Hodgman Liberal Government

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With the Hodgman Liberal Government declared "Australia's most popular government" in strongly supporting local businesses by the 2017 Sensis Business Index, it shows there is no greater supporter of Tasmanian business and industry than the Tasmanian Liberals.

When people have a job, when businesses are confident and when the economy is growing, we have a strong retail sector - a retail sector that then employs more people to keep up with demand.

Such is the case at family-owned business Lifestyle Kitchens, Wardrobes & Shower Screens, which just last month celebrated 25 years of being in business. After a shaky 2012 when they considered closing shop, they have just invested over $300,000 in new machinery, employed additional staff, and are about to extend their premises to accommodate their workshop, all to keep up with demand.

There is still more to do to take Tasmania to the next level, and a re-elected

majority Hodgman Liberal Government will work with business and industry to create more jobs for Tasmanians and to keep growing the economy. We have turned Tasmania's economy into one of the strongest in the country, but our vision and our plan is to take it to the next level.

That's why we have outlined ambitious targets to have the lowest unemployment rate of all states by 2022. We will do this by establishing B21 (Business 21st Century) - a new strategic partnership with business and industry, as well as establishing a position of Small Business Advocate - as part of the Office of Coordinator-General, by cutting payroll tax to create more jobs, and by providing grants to businesses to take on an apprentice or trainee.

On the other hand, another minority Labor-Green Government would jack up taxes, destroy jobs, plunge the budget back into deficit and take Tasmania towards a recession - just like they did last time they were in government.

Why go back?