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Labor-beige seriously underwhelms

The first week of parliament has been unprecedentedly embarrassing for lazy Labor.

This week exposed their lack of policy, direction and their two headed leadership monster.

Let the history book show that in the state of the state week, Labor turned up with just one thought bubble they felt fit to share – an undercooked, un-costed housing plan.

Hardworking Tasmanians deserve more and should expect more from their elected officials.

In contrast, the Tasmanian majority Liberal Government spent the parliamentary break hard at work developing, costing and delivering more than 30 economy building, job creating initiatives, including investing \$50 million to kick-start the renewable hydrogen industry in Tasmania.

Our Renewable Hydrogen Action Plan outlines real actions that will deliver our vision for Tasmania to be a global commercial exporter by 2030, assisted by the biggest industry development package in the country.

The report found a 1,000 megawatt renewable hydrogen facility was feasible and would create an estimated 1,000 - 1,200 local jobs and inject billions of dollars in renewable energy investment across our State.

A major renewable hydrogen industry in Tasmania plays to our strengths and competitive advantages, complements our nationally significant Marinus Link and Battery of the Nation projects, and our commitment to taking real action on climate change and reducing emissions.

While Tasmania is already on track to meet our target of being 100 per cent self-sufficient in renewable energy by 2022, we are focused on the future, with a new renewable energy target to generate 200 per cent of our current needs by 2040, firmly establishing Tasmania as a global leader.

We're calling on Labor to produce a plan and costed policies.

Labor: summer's over, time to get back to work.