

## [The Un-Natural Disaster - Made in Parliament](#)

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The current Lab-Lib policy on energy and food is creating a man-made disaster and destroying Australia's ability to cope with real natural disasters.

We are being forced to waste our savings and investment capital on futile political gestures such as the Ration-and-Tax Scheme Bill (the RATS Bill), on horrendously expensive and wasteful ideas like carbon capture and burial, and on costly and totally inadequate and unreliable energy sources such as solar and wind. And our policies on woody weeds, water conservation, carbon forests and bio-fuels are deviously destroying our ability to produce food.

An invading enemy could hardly do more damage to our ability to cope with future natural disasters than we are inflicting on ourselves.

All of this stupidity is based on two fallacies. Firstly, the RATS Bill relies on some totally unproven theory that man can control the climate. Secondly, the urgency is justified by doomsday global warming forecasts from computer models that have never produced a correct forecast for even two years ahead, let alone for the 50-100 years they are projecting.

Despite the expenditure of billions of dollars on computer models, international junkets and climate "research", not one of the computer models or greenhouse theories predicted the last 10 years of global cooling in the face of rising carbon dioxide levels.

The world has always suffered from recurring natural disasters such as droughts, floods, bush fires, water shortages and crop failures. But never before have we faced a man-made energy and food disaster with the destructive potential of the current policies.

Only rich societies with plenty of tools, machinery, food stocks and savings can cope with natural disasters. When disaster strikes it is not Cuba, Zimbabwe, Somalia or Bangladesh who send ships, helicopters, trucks, generators, refrigerators, medical supplies, tents, manpower and food to the stricken area – what the refugees see arriving are US naval helicopters, Canadian fire fighters, Australian aid workers or bags of rice from Japan.

In the past, government policies have always encouraged Australians to save their money and invest it in efficient machinery, tools, food capability and energy sources. Such a policy best equips us to be able to cope with whatever disaster the future may hold.

A study of climate history shows clearly that we are at least as likely to face global cooling with destructive frosts, snow, drought and crop failures, as the opposite and more benign scenario of global warming, with more precipitation and better plant growth.

If the current cooling trend continues or accelerates, the world will need every bit of food and energy we can produce. Money wasted on futile attempts to predict and control future climate would be better spent on improving our mines, factories and farms and building machinery, tools, roads, dams, railways, airstrips, helicopters and efficient modern power stations.

Our ancestors coped with mammoth ice ages, droughts which depopulated whole countries, spreading deserts of Saharan magnitude and floods of biblical proportions. Those who sat and sacrificed their substance on fantasies such as "Global Warming" perished and left no descendants. Those with the sense to adapt to the changed climates by migration, new food sources, better technology and more productive lifestyles survived.

None of our ancestors were led to survival by high priests in green robes with computer models chanting anti-energy and anti-food slogans.

Never before have we seen a whole generation of western leaders in politics, media, education, academia and big business so cushioned by prosperity, and so mesmerised by pagan nature-worship that they have lost sight of what created and maintains human existence.

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