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## **TCCI welcomes parliament expansion**

The Tasmanian Chamber of Commerce and Industry has welcomed the announcement that Tasmania's House of Assembly will be restored to 35 seats.

TCCI CEO Michael Bailey said the move would result in better representation for all sectors of the community.

"The TCCI sees the expansion of parliament as a great step forward in increasing representation for both the business community and the broader community," he said.

"It is clear the current 25 seat system places a huge workload on ministers, with many of them juggling four or five major portfolios.

"This results in stretched resources for important decisions, and could be seen as a contributing factor to a high recent turnover among MPs.

"For Tasmania's social and economic growth to continue it is important our parliament has the capacity to represent all sectors – this move will help ensure just that."