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Plea to TasPorts and pilots: don't leave Tassie stranded

The Tasmanian Chamber of Commerce and Industry is the voice of business in Tasmania and is concerned by the escalating situation at Tasmania's ports.

TCCI CEO, Michael Bailey, is calling for a resolution to be found quickly.

"As an island state, we depend on shipping for exports and imports. Just about every industry from mining to tourism depends on shipping in one way or another," Mr Bailey said.

"If industrial action between pilots and TasPorts continues, our island's economy will pay the price. Earlier this week, economic reports showed business confidence in Tasmania leading the nation and this situation could completely undermine that good news, especially if Tasmanian businesses are effectively held to ransom by industrial action.

"The business community is urging the pilots, their union representatives and TasPorts to sort this out quickly before the situation gets any worse."