

Abetz pens Tasmanian fox report letter

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Eric Abetz

Liberal Senator Eric Abetz has written to an esteemed British science journal over a Tasmanian government fox report that claimed the species was "widespread" on the island.

Senator Abetz is the second high-profile politician – after Denison independent MHR Andrew Wilkie – to write to the *Journal of Applied Ecology* over the 2012 report, which was co-authored by an official from Tasmania's Department of Primary Industries, Parks, Water and Environment.

Mr Wilkie has asked for the journal to reconsider its endorsement of the report, following concerns over the legitimacy of Tasmania's fox evidence.

A spokesman for Senator Abetz would not comment on the contents of his letter or release a copy of it.



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