A motion calling on the Commonwealth Government to hold a referendum on a nuclear waste dump in the Territory has been passed through Parliament.

Environment Minister Delia Lawrie said it sends a message to Canberra that Territorians want the same rights as other Australians and want a say on any proposed nuclear dump in the Territory.

“We will not allow the Federal Government to dump its political problems on the Territory without a fight,” said Ms Lawrie.

“We’re calling on John Howard to disclose the details of his secret deal for a nuclear waste dump at Muckaty Station in the earthquake prone region of Tennant Creek.”

Unfortunately the CLP decided to oppose the motion, refusing to give bi-partisan support to battle the bullying of the Howard Government.

“The CLP has thrown its support behind John Howard and his secret deal to force a nuclear waste dump on the Territory,” said Ms Lawrie.

“The Opposition Leader is confused, initially opposing a nuclear waste dump in the Territory but today congratulating John Howard for breaking his promise to Territorians.

“The CLP had the chance to stand up for Territorians but failed, instead they fell into line behind their Canberra masters.

“The Martin Government will continue to fight for the rights of Territorians,” said Ms Lawrie.


“Mr Howard’s secret deals are not acceptable, Territorians want honesty, consultation and a fair go.”

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