

IT'S A DISASTER!

HEALTH AND SAFETY NEGLECTED UNDER GRACE GRACE'S WATCH



- ☒ Industrial Manslaughter laws not implemented
- ☒ Foreign employers allowed to ignore health and safety laws
- ☒ Soft regulator continuously fails to enforce health and safety laws in Queensland
- ☒ WHSQ Best Practice Health and Safety review corrupted by biased terms of reference

Grace Grace was one of the ministers targeted by the CFMEU.

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CFMEU letterbox campaign: Union turns on its own ministers

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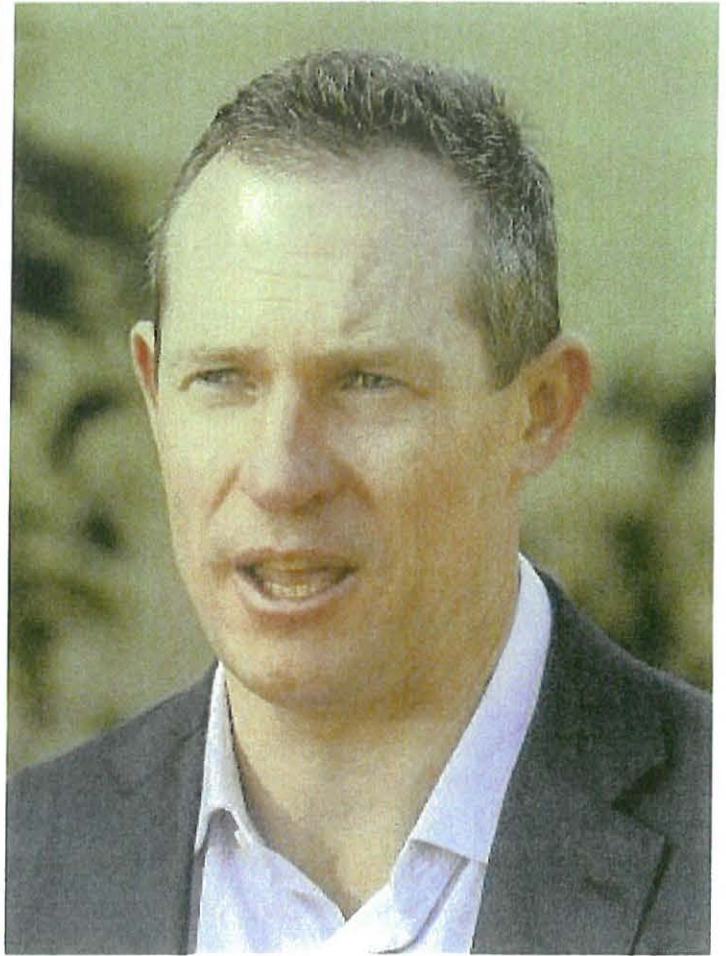
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PREMIER Anastacia Palaszczuk has stopped short of slapping down a powerful Labor-affiliated union targeting her own ministers, including those in its own faction, through a letterbox campaign.

The Left-faction aligned CFMEU has been distributing flyers in the electorates of Left ministers Deputy Premier Jackie Trad and Housing Minister Mick de Brenni, and the Old Guard's Employment Minister Grace Grace.

Right-faction Minister Anthony Lynham has also been targeted in the campaign.



📷 Jackie Trad and Mick de Brenni were among the ministers whose electorates were targeted.

📷 Pictures: Darren England/Mark Cranitch

The flyers — sent in the final months before the State Election — accuse the ministers of failing in their duties.

The one targeting Ms Grace has “IT’S A DISASTER” emblazoned across the top in red and “FAILED” stamped across the Minister’s face.

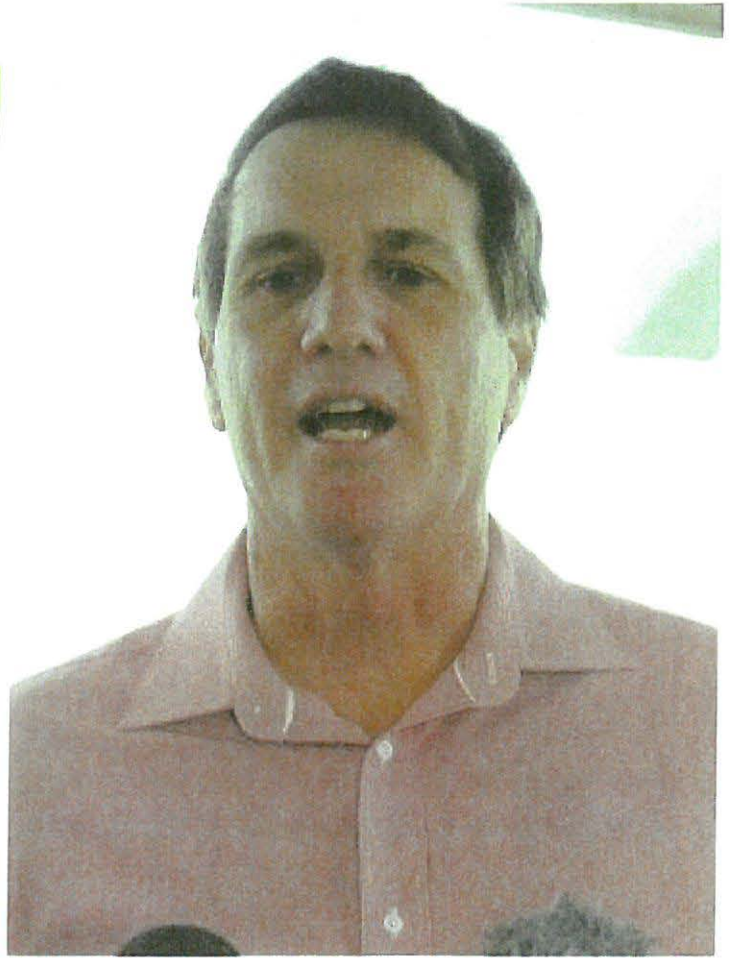
“Health and safety neglected under Grace Grace’s watch,” it reads. “Grace Grace must live up to her commitments to protect the health and safety of all Queenslanders.”

It lists what it believes are Ms Grace’s failings, including the non-implementation of the looming industrial manslaughter laws.

It follows an attack launched by CFMEU divisional branch secretary Michael Ravbar against Ms Trad and Mr de Brenni last month over government procurement in which he accused them of failing to protect local jobs.



Grace Grace and Anthony Lynham.



Picture: Stewart McLean

Protesters, understood to be from the CFMEU, were also targeting Ms Trad in her South Brisbane electorate yesterday.

The Premier on Thursday said she believes the CFMEU should be happy with the progress her government has made in the area of workplace health and safety.

But she stopped short of slapping down the union for campaigning against her ministers.

"I firmly believe that my government is acting in the best interests of Queenslanders and we are progressing with some of those issues," Ms Palaszczuk said of the complaints made by the CFMEU.

"Of course I think they should be happy with what we have done so far but they've got a membership. They are allowed to raise issues just as anyone else is."

But the move by the CFMEU has angered many within the party and is understood to have put strain on the Left-Old Guard factional alliance.

"The irony with the CFMEU's ham-fisted approach is that it plays right into the hands of (Tim) Nicholls and the LNP," a Labor source told *The Courier-Mail* yesterday.

Union march in Brisbane

Ms Grace said people were free to campaign as they pleased but she said the Government was making progress on a number of fronts including on industrial manslaughter.

“I believe the Government is really delivering in the area of health and safety,” she said.

“We are going to be introducing a higher penalty of negligence causing death.”