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DEPARTMENT OF FAMILIES, YOUTH AND COMMUNITY CARE

Mr BEANLAND (Indooroopilly—LP) (10.29 a.m.): I note with some concern that up to 500 Department of Families, Youth and Community Care officers will take industrial action today in protest at a lack of funding and resources for child protection in Queensland. It is my understanding that this is the first large scale industrial action in the department since 1994. This strike action is an indictment of the Beattie Labor Government, and Minister Bligh must take full responsibility. This department lurches from crisis to crisis as Labor's broken promises pile up and up. That is what we are seeing: the piling up of Labor's broken promises.

This week the Minister was caught out by departmental employees and by the victims of abuse in children's homes. But these are not the only people upset with the poor performance of Minister Bligh.

Time expired.