



Speech By Hon. Mark Bailey

MEMBER FOR YEERONGPILLY

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Hon. MC BAILEY (Yeerongpilly—ALP) (Minister for Main Roads, Road Safety and Ports and Minister for Energy, Biofuels and Water Supply) (2.48 pm): What a flat performance from the member for Indooroopilly, one of the members responsible for the highest level of unemployment in 11 years. That is the record of the member for Indooroopilly and that is the record of the member for Clayfield. They gave us the highest level of unemployment in 11 years and they have the temerity to come in here and lecture us about jobs. What an absolute joke!

They had three years and a record majority, so let's look at their appalling record and the record of the member for Clayfield. The cuts that came in Transport and Main Roads were draconian. We saw a cut to QTRIP of \$1.5 billion over the forwards. We saw a cut to Queensland roads of \$200 million every single year they were in power. There was \$600 million in cuts to roads and they lecture us about infrastructure. They sacked people left, right and centre. The member for Indooroopilly sacked 1,000 workers from Transport and Main Roads, 700 from RoadTek and—wait for it—1,400 workers from Queensland Rail, and they come in here and lecture us when that is their record.

They slashed 37 per cent from the TIDS budget, the fifty-fifty program with local councils for local roads right across the state. Last year in estimates the member for Indooroopilly was exposed for having a secret branch in TMR designed for contestability—Strong Choices—to privatise sections of this government. He was exposed for having a secret branch and spending \$31 million on it. At a time when they said they would not privatise government assets without a mandate, the member for Indooroopilly was doing exactly that. He also cut \$100 million from cycling and called it gold plating and, as we all know, his trophy photos with famous people destroyed his office wall. That cost \$1,400 to repair, and when I leave that office I will leave it in a pristine condition compared to the member for Indooroopilly.

Opposition members interjected.

Mr SPEAKER: Before I call the minister to continue, this gives me a chance to mention a couple of people's names. Member for Indooroopilly, you are warned under standing order 253A. Your interjections were repetitive and disorderly. Member for Whitsunday, you are also warned under 253A. If you persist I will take the appropriate action.

Mr BAILEY: The member for Indooroopilly also cancelled \$20 million in funding for noise barriers. I have received 16 representations for the restoration of noise barrier programs in Queensland, and do you know who eight of them were from? The member for Indooroopilly! The member for Indooroopilly has written to me eight times wanting me to restore something that he cut during the three years they were in government. Unbelievable! They are pretty quiet now. Of course we had Michael Caltabiano, who was last on their list of recommendations, and they appointed him. They cannot lecture about jobs for the boys—

(Time expired)