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 **Mr NICHOLLS** (Clayfield—LNP) (Leader of the Opposition) (10.42 am): Honourable members will recall that around about 22 August there was the filming of a movie here in Brisbane, the movie *Thor: Ragnarok*. *Ragnarok*, for those who are unaware of it, portends the end of days. We had the opportunity to see people like Chris Hemsworth, Tom Hiddleston and Anthony Hopkins. A couple of days after that visit the Premier announced an opportunity for a Queenslander to have a walk-on role in the *Thor* movie. That must have stirred the loins of some people over there because only a few days later we saw the auditioning start. We saw none other than the member for Woodridge put his hand up for a role. We are not sure what he wants to be. Does he want to be Loki, the evil prince, who wants to bring down the house of Asgard and destroy everything that the gods of the realms have done? Or do we want to see the return of Bloodaxe. Bloodaxe was a mortal named Jackie who found a mysterious axe and then proceeded to take down the house—or which of the other nine realms that form the factions of the Labor Party that wants to take on the Premier.

We saw the health minister stand up. He immediately took aim at the Attorney-General, the justice minister, who, only days before, had said something along the lines of, 'We do not want to move 17-year-olds out. We do not have the space for them'. Three days later the health minister was working the phones, talking to the media, trying to force a change in policy from somewhere completely different from his usual area of responsibility.

We have the health minister auditioning for Loki. We have the Deputy Premier auditioning for the role of Bloodaxe. What we are really looking for is the hapless god that does everything wrong. I think we have found the hapless god. The hapless god is the member for Mulgrave, the hapless god who is blind and cannot shoot an arrow straight. He is firing his arrows all over the place trying to get through.

We have had 10 days of disunity, 10 days of ruling out challenges, 10 days of saying the Premier is clear, 10 days of ministers consistently rolling out the same old lines. We know what is going on over there and truly they are the ding-a-ling gang.