



# Speech By Tim Nicholls

## MEMBER FOR CLAYFIELD

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## **PRIVATE MEMBER'S STATEMENT**

### Palaszczuk Labor Government, Performance

**Mr NICHOLLS** (Clayfield—LNP) (Leader of the Opposition) (10.29 am): The week that was under the Palaszczuk Labor government! A do-nothing government that finishes the week as badly as it started the week. We found out this week that the Deputy Premier likes Hollywood but hates Bollywood. She would rather trash Adani to help save her own party than support our international trade position. She carefully failed to mention anything about the Bligh train debacles earlier this week. These were trains without seats and trains without air conditioners. When the air conditioners were fitted, they could not fit through the tunnels. There were no toilets fitted and they were running at 86 per cent on time. She forgot to mention that her union mates wanted to change the design a year ago so they could have guard cubbyholes they could hide in rather than going out and walking on the platforms and walking on the trains. Colleagues, we finally saw the Premier make a decision this week. Congratulations—

#### Ms Trad interjected.

**Mr SPEAKER:** Order! I apologise for interrupting, Leader of the Opposition; you are on a roll. Deputy Premier, if you persist, you will be warned under standing order—

Ms Trad: I have been provoked.

Mr SPEAKER: Order! I call the Leader of the Opposition.

**Mr NICHOLLS:** Finally we get a decision out of this Premier, but it is the sort of decision that I have a problem with because I can hear the conversation now or perhaps it might have been an email that was sent out. The conversation goes like this: 'Hi, Mark, it's the boss.' He says, 'Yes, Jackie—oh, no, I got the wrong person there. I am sorry about that.' 'Mark, can you please delete your email? Everyone knows that the unions control us, but we just don't want them to have the evidence, so do you mind getting rid of the email because it is going to cause us some embarrassment.'

How did it go? Did the minister delete the account of his own accord? There continues to be a stink over the way the Minister for Energy has dealt with this matter. The Minister for Energy has only just stood up this morning after three days to speak to the Integrity Commissioner to say, 'I have no idea what integrity is. Can you please tell me?' That is what he has done today. There is a stink over this government that will not go away and it starts with the energy minister—

(Time expired)