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MOTION: NEW CHUM, WASTE FACILITY

 **Mr CRISAFULLI** (Broadwater—LNP) (6.11 pm): Despite the member for Woodridge's unhealthy obsession with me, I have to speak against the amendment. This is getting ridiculous. I do not think the member has risen in the last fortnight without mentioning me. It is an unhealthy obsession. No-one wants to see Ipswich become a dumping ground, no-one wants to see interstate waste coming across the border, but only one side wants to stop attacks on everyday Queenslanders.

The member for Woodridge has all of a sudden become this great friend of councils, this fighter for local government, despite being part of a government that used its call-in powers against the wishes of local government. Now, on the cusp of a big tax that will affect the battlers of Ipswich, that will whack the people of Ipswich, he is all of a sudden using this little tiny cling to of caring about local government as his excuse to allow the people of Ipswich to become a dumping ground.

Those opposite want Ipswich to become a dumping ground because they take them for granted. They think they will turn up and vote for the member for Ipswich and the member for Ipswich West time and time again. In this day and age it does not work like that. The voters of Ipswich are smarter than that and they will judge a good character. The member for Bundamba is onto something: it is not going to be the Labor Party brand that carries her over.

Tonight the member for Bundamba has a big test as well. This is a big test for a member who has been a strong advocate in recent times for her community. I do not think it is going to be a big test for the members for Ipswich or Ipswich West. I think they have folded already. There will be no prospect of them walking across for their community because they think time and time again the people of Ipswich will continue to just blindly follow a brand.

Honourable members interjected.

Mr SPEAKER: Minister for Tourism, I can hear you interjecting very loudly and I do not believe the member is taking the interjections. The member for Toowoomba North and the member for Chatsworth have been interjecting across the chamber so much so that I can hardly hear their own speaker. I ask that they keep that in mind. I am all for a healthy debate, but let us make sure we can hear the speaker.

Mr CRISAFULLI: Will the members for Ipswich and Ipswich West be lions for their community? Will they be champions or nodding donkeys or wallflowers just sitting there. To somehow suggest that this problem of interstate dumping can only be solved with a levy is a furphy. The amount of interstate waste in the last financial has skyrocketed because these superdumps have become more available. Tonight there is an opportunity to stop that.

The chamber of commerce has described it as lazy, but it is more than that—it is sneaky. This whole prospect is sneaky. Somehow we are using the good people of Ipswich as a stalking horse for a tax across the state. There is no way you can look a builder in the eye in Cairns and tell her that it is going to be worth her while. There is no way you can look a fish and chip shop owner in Rockhampton and tell him he is going to be better off because of it. There is no way you can look at the member for Woodridge and pretend he knows what a local government is or that he cares about it all of a sudden.

Let us stop this State of Origin nonsense. Let us stop all of this nonsense about walking jerseys into the House. This has nothing to do with State of Origin. This has to do with a great city becoming a dumping ground because those opposite take them for granted. If you want to stop interstate dumping, stop the superdumps in Ipswich.