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 **Mr CRISAFULLI** (Broadwater—LNP) (Leader of the Opposition) (11.21 am): I will agree with the Premier on one thing, and that is that this is an important issue—so important that if the Premier was fair dinkum she would have come into this House and put forward a raft of things that we can do to achieve our goals. It is one thing to have targets 30 years in the distance, but I am interested in this government's record on the environment first and foremost before we discuss 2050. Let me talk about this government's record.

Government members interjected.

Mr SPEAKER: Sorry, member. Minister for Transport and Main Roads, you are warned under the standing orders. You are not directing your comments through the chair. Premier, you are warned under the standing orders. You have not directed your comments through the chair on multiple occasions today.

Mr CRISAFULLI: This government always talks a big game on the environment, but its record is appalling and I intend to use my contribution today to show the difference between what happens when a government is all about tokenism and not about delivery. On protected areas in this state, this government signed up to 17 per cent. It looked the world in the eye and said, 'We will get to 17 per cent.' It was at 8.26 per cent when it came to office and it has increased by 0.01 per cent—0.01 per cent. The government can make all the targets and use all the symbolism it likes, but if it does not have the attention to detail and it does not have the ticker it does not mean very much at all. This government came into office—

Dr Miles interjected.

Mr CRISAFULLI: My goodness! That sounds like hydrogen! This government came into office in 2015 and it said it had a vision to drive down emissions. Emissions have increased in the last seven years in Queensland. Emissions in Queensland have increased in the last seven years, so the government can set targets 30 years into the distance but I want to see KPIs along the way. I want to see deliverables. I want this government to be held accountable, because what I see on the floor of this House today does not look like someone who wants to do right by the environment; it looks like someone who wants to do right by Anthony Albanese. That is what I see. Everything that I have seen in the last six months looks to me like an opposition leader who is being propped up by the states and it looks like a silly little game. Yesterday I saw some comments from federal Labor in this space, and I agree with the Premier: there is an absolute desire for us to do what is right by this planet and Glasgow is an important milestone in that. I stand with members in this House in saying that it is going to be an important opportunity for our nation to play a role, and we must play a role. There is a transition and the globe will go through it, and we as a nation have to play our part. We as a state have to play our part. However, the greatest way we as Queenslanders can play our role is to put in this place a government that values the environment and will be held accountable to the measures it sets.