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 **Mr MANDER** (Everton—LNP) (12.30 pm): We are now seven years into a third-term government and suddenly they have developed a job strategy. At a time when we have full employment in this nation, they have developed a job strategy.

Mr DEPUTY SPEAKER (Mr Kelly): The member for Logan will cease waving around that paper.

Mr MANDER: Why have they developed a job strategy now? Because the federal government called a job summit and the Premier panicked because we have nothing to take. She called out, 'I need a glossy magazine immediately.' At that point she created jobs for the people who had to put together that glossy magazine. That was one job-creation strategy that they had. Now she has something to clasp to her chest as she walks around the summit, saying, 'We've done something.' It is very much like their economic plan. It takes about 35 seconds to read their economic plan. The same content will be in the glossy brochure that they have called for because of the job summit.

Those opposite are only worried about one job and that is their own job. Of course, the Deputy Premier has also created a job by employing a photographer to soften his image. Why is he doing that? Because he is looking for one other job. We hear the speculation and watch the battle that is going on to see who will take over the Premier's role when she goes.

Government members interjected.

Mr MANDER: I take those interjections. We have this great battle going on between the Left and the Right, the Deputy Premier and the Treasurer, to see who is going to take the top job. The Deputy Premier thinks he needs a photographer. The Treasurer does not need a photographer because he already takes enough black-and-white selfies. Where do members think all the leaks have come from about cabinet meetings not taking place and about checking out? Where have all those leaks come from? They have come from the Left because they will do everything possible to de-stabilise this government and take the seat of the Premier when she goes.

Who else is looking for a job? The speculation is that the member for Sandgate is looking for a job because he is under threat. From whom is he under threat? He is under threat from Councillor Jared Cassidy. Jared Cassidy has had enough of the member for Sandgate and enough of the inaction. There is lots and lots of speculation going around that he will be challenging for preselection. It will be very interesting to see how that pans out over the next few months.