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**PRIVATE MEMBER'S STATEMENT**

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 **Mr McCALLUM** (Bundamba—ALP) (2.46 pm): Queenslanders can trust the Palaszczuk Labor government to continue to deliver the jobs and services they need to enjoy our great Queensland lifestyle. We are the engine room of the nation. We have created record numbers of jobs and record investments in health, in education, in housing and in transport, backed by record numbers of frontline staff. We are here for Queenslanders when they need it most, with the nation's biggest cost-of-living relief package. All of that is at risk under the LNP, and we know that from its right-wing priorities document that it put out only a couple of weeks ago, attempting to provide a future vision for Queensland, and I have to say it is a nightmare. It is a dystopian vision. It is a pamphlet that is trying to masquerade as a policy document.

There are no details. There is no substance to this document—not one dollar towards direct cost-of-living relief. There are no details or investments in health, in housing, in transport. It is clear that even though this document has only been out for a couple of weeks it is already a failure, and that is because it is not actually focused on Queenslanders; it is focused on the LNP. That is why those opposite have been parading around with it tucked under their arms like dutiful little LNP lemmings—walking around clutching it like a security blanket that has wrapped up their hopes and dreams of returning to government in 2024. Unfortunately, nobody outside of the House has probably seen it. Nobody outside of the House probably knows about it, although I do wonder where they might take it outside of the House. Maybe when they wake up in the middle of the night and need to go to the bathroom they will tuck it under their arm and take it with them.

**Mr Harper:** Is it toilet reading material?

**Mr McCALLUM:** I take that interjection from the member for Thuringowa. Those opposite have been lining up one after the other this week and finishing off all of their speeches with a glib slogan, but Queenslanders will not elect a slogan. Queenslanders want policies, not pamphlets. Queenslanders want to see a contest of ideas when it comes to the 2024 election, but you cannot have a contest when the LNP has no ideas.