



Speech By  
**Hon. David Crisafulli**


**MEMBER FOR BROADWATER**

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**MOTION**

**Termination of Pregnancy**

 **Hon. DF CRISAFULLI** (Broadwater—LNP) (Premier and Minister for Veterans) (11.34 am): I move—

1. That, notwithstanding anything in standing or sessional orders, this House orders that:
  - (a) no bill or amendment seeking to amend the Termination of Pregnancy Act 2018 is allowed to be introduced.
  - (b) no motion or amendment seeking to have this House express its views on the Termination of Pregnancy Act 2018 is allowed to be moved.
2. The Speaker is to rule out of order any bill, motion or amendment that offends the order in 1.

This morning we heard about—

**Mr BAILEY:** Mr Speaker, I rise to a point of order. A motion has just been moved before the House and I have not seen a copy of the motion. I do not think any member has seen a copy of the motion and it should be provided to members for their benefit.

**Mr SPEAKER:** It has been distributed, member. Resume your seat. It is being distributed right now.

**Mr CRISAFULLI:** This morning, we heard about a number of disgraceful scare campaigns waged by those opposite but there was none more disgraceful than the one waged against the Termination of Pregnancy Act. This motion today ends the disgraceful campaign. Queenslanders said no to a US-style scare campaign. Queenslanders said no to politicising a sensitive issue. Queenslanders said no to the re-election of a very bad Labor government.

I was asked about this issue from day one and I said from day one it was not part of our plan. I said there will be no changes. Labor knew this but, despite that, the social media tsunami and the grubby phone calls continued unabated. They spent millions of dollars on a disgraceful scare campaign. I want to speak directly to those people who were victims of the scare campaign, many of them young women and first-time voters—

**Mr SPEAKER:** Sorry Premier, but there is way too much noise in the chamber.

**Mr CRISAFULLI:**—many of them young women and first-time voters, many of them people I know well. I say to those young women: today, the scare campaign ends.

Labor knew this was not on the agenda but they did it for grubby political purposes. Labor did not care about a woman's right to choose; it was all about Labor's desperate right to rule. That is what this was about. The level of desperation and insincerity on a sensitive issue was a disgrace.

**Mr Power** interjected.

**Mr SPEAKER:** The member for Logan is warned.

**Mr CRISAFULLI:** Today, those opposite are exposed for the disgraceful campaign they ran. It was rammed home to me how grubby and how disgraceful it was on election day when I met Anna from Ipswich West. She said to me, 'I was going to vote for the LNP for change and I will explain why I did not. When I received the first phone call, I thought, "It can't be true". Then I received a second and a third.' Anna's best friend's daughter had had an abortion and those opposite preyed on people like Anna. Disgraceful!

Labor did not care about a woman's right to choose; it was about Labor's desperate right to rule. That is what this was about from day one. It was wrong because it was untrue. It was wrong because it preyed on people's vulnerability. It was just plain wrong.

For four years we will remind every one of those opposite about what they said. There is something else that makes a lot of sense: this was never an issue they cared about but was always about politics.

**Mr Smith** interjected.

**Mr SPEAKER:** Member for Bundaberg, you are warned.

**Mr CRISAFULLI:** In the address-in-reply we barely heard about it. In fact, the only thing mentioned less in the address-in-reply was thankyou's to the member for Murrumba. There were more references in the address-in-reply to thanking Wayne Swan than there were the member for Murrumba. There was barely a mention of this and it shows us everything we need to know.

This was never about the issue. It was US style. It was grubby. For the next four years, every one of those opposite will hang their head in shame. In four years time Queenslanders will get the chance to pass judgement on a government that will do the things it says and an opposition that will not be able to run that scare campaign again. They will not be able to run the same grubby campaign because Queenslanders have seen it. They have been exposed.

Today we have highlighted all of those scare campaigns. But only one scare campaign was so personal, vitriolic and based in mistruths that it has exposed once and for all why Queenslanders said no—said no to a US style campaign, said no to the scare and innuendo and said no to a very bad Labor government.