



Speech By
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MEMBER FOR WHITSUNDAY

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MOTION

No Confidence in Minister for Youth Justice and Victim Support and Minister for Corrective Services

 **Hon. AJ CAMM** (Whitsunday—LNP) (Minister for Families, Seniors and Disability Services and Minister for Child Safety and the Prevention of Domestic and Family Violence) (5.35 pm): I move the following amendment—

That all words after 'That this House' be omitted and the following paragraphs inserted:

- '1. expresses confidence in the Minister for Youth Justice and Victim Support and Minister for Corrective Services to continue lowering victim numbers.'

I am pleased to stand before this House and express my support of, and confidence in, the Minister for Youth Justice and Victim Support. What those opposite have outlined in their motion is that they do not like 10 months of delivery after 10 years of decline. In relation to the Crisafulli government and the Making Queensland Safer Laws that we introduced and passed in this House—not one tranche but two tranches—what those opposite cannot stand is that ministers on this side of the House work together. The four ministers responsible for lowering victim numbers are proud to be representing victims in this state and are proud to be working collegiately, cooperatively and collaboratively, unlike those opposite in their factions who do not speak to each other. The Attorney-General, the Minister for Police, the Minister for Youth Justice and me as the Minister for Child Safety and the Prevention of Domestic and Family Violence—

Opposition members interjected.

Mr ACTING SPEAKER: Order, members! Minister, please pause. Members, there is too much noise. Minister, you have the call.

Ms CAMM: What those opposite cannot understand is how we as a government are committed to working together. We heard from Queenslanders. We heard from victims of crime. The Leader of the Opposition talks about 'churn and burn'. Well, I can talk about churn and burn: the former youth justice ministers over there—churn and burn; the former child safety ministers over there—churn and burn. I can name them. The member for Waterford—

Ms Fentiman: I'm still here.

Ms CAMM: Yes, we will get to that. The stapler is about to come out. There is a reason some of those opposite may not be on the speaking list.

What those opposite do not understand is that the Public Service are so welcoming. They have welcomed the refreshed, energised leadership of the Minister for Youth Justice. They have welcomed the refreshed, transparent leadership of the Attorney-General. They have welcomed the leadership of the Minister for Police and me—every minister on this side of the House—who treat the Public Service with respect and dignity. We do not lock them in cupboards. We do not throw staplers. We do not scream at them. We show respect. That is what we are bringing about as part of a new government.

The Minister for Youth Justice and Victim Support can stand on her record proudly as a minister in the Crisafulli government. There has been a reduction in victim numbers in six months of 5.7 per cent.

Mrs Nightingale interjected.

Mr ACTING SPEAKER: Member for Inala, your interjections are not being taken.

Ms CAMM: Mr Acting Speaker, do you know what those opposite do not like? They do not like that we are succeeding. They do not like that there are green shoots. Those opposite watered down the laws and revel in victim numbers. They revel in stolen cars. They revel in break and enters. They revel in the increase in assaults. On this side of the House, we are proud of our record. We are proud of the action that the youth justice minister is taking.

As the Minister for Child Safety, I am proud to follow those failed five opposite who went through the revolving door of child safety ministers. I look forward to hearing the commission of inquiry's findings in relation to governance and the transparency of ministers. The Minister for Youth Justice and Victim Support and I are working very closely together to embed child safety officers with youth officers 24/7. We are running a pilot across this state, something those opposite could not do.

Honourable members interjected.

Mr ACTING SPEAKER: Members, order!

Ms CAMM: The Leader of the Opposition talked about screening programs for FASD. He talked about Cairns being most in need of services. He talked about the failure of those opposite and how they were not able to deliver. Where were they for the last decade when it came to the needs of young people with FASD? When we hear talk about safety, stability and leadership, that is what the Crisafulli government is delivering. The Leader of the Opposition is hanging onto his job by a thread. The Deputy Leader of the Opposition does not have the numbers. What we are delivering is lower victim numbers.

(Time expired)