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 **Mr J KELLY** (Greenslopes—ALP) (2.17 pm): It has been a tough summer for the LNP. Green shoots seem to be calmly and methodically turning brown. Crime, ramping and country maternity services are not fixed and no ministers are held accountable. Calmly and methodically, we saw the local minister win the outback tourism award by inventing the 'Leahy-cation' staycation. Not to be outdone, the member for Whitsunday calmly and methodically took a tour of Africa. The environment minister calmly and methodically ignored every recommendation from the Containers for Change inquiry and appointed an LNP stooge as the CEO after calmly and methodically sacking the hardworking, honest and diligent CEO.

The health minister calmly and methodically ignored the mothers of Toowoomba. Speaking of hospitals, five people a day calmly and methodically showed up at emergency departments with fractures, head injuries and facial trauma, thanks to the Premier calmly and methodically doing absolutely nothing about the carnage being caused by e-scooters. The Deputy Premier calmly and methodically put the wheels in motion to give developers state assets and require absolutely nothing in return, except that they 'donate, baby, donate'. By cutting any requirements for affordable or social housing, he showed he does not care about 'Queenslanders, baby, Queenslanders'.

I took a calm and methodical holiday and headed to Stanthorpe. I was looking forward to calmly and methodically paddling on Emu Swamp Dam. I will table a few holiday snaps. Here is the sign for Emu Swamp Road. Here is me wondering where the dam is that the member for Southern Downs was anything but calm and methodical about during his last two terms. It seems he has been calmly and methodically doing absolutely nothing about delivering this dam.

Tabled paper: Photographs depicting the member for Greenslopes, Mr Joe Kelly MP, near Emu Swamp Road [179](#).

The member for Mackay calmly and methodically blew up any pretext of LNP unity. He said to the federal LNP, 'Hold my beer,' as he calmly and methodically crossed the floor and sashayed out of the chamber into an interview with the highly respected calm and methodical Dr Jo.

The all-time 'calm and methodical award' has to go to the proudest product of the 'Currumbin little theatre academy', the member for Currumbin. I was wondering where the member for Currumbin got the inspiration for yesterday's performance, and I remembered that great episode of *Seinfeld* where the late, great Frank Costanza sat in the car yelling, 'Serenity now! Serenity now!' 'Calm and methodical! Calm and methodical!': I will spare the chamber the full-volume version.

Finally, I want to thank the parliamentary staff for supplying this wonderful calendar. I fear the legend is missing a few things. It fails to show the LNP ministerial leave calendar, so I have coloured it all in maroon. I started in January and it finishes on 31 December. It was hard to find time because I

had to fit in the 'Leahy-cation' staycation and the Camm safari, but I managed to give all of the ministers a chance because, clearly, they are not going to be doing anything this year. The green shoots will definitely calmly and methodically continue to turn brown.

Tabled paper: Queensland Parliament sitting calendar 2026, coloured in maroon by the member for Greenslopes, Mr Joe Kelly MP [180](#).