



Speech By  
**Hon. Tim Nicholls**

**MEMBER FOR CLAYFIELD**

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**MOTION**

**Crisafulli LNP Government, Health System**



**Hon. TJ NICHOLLS** (Clayfield—LNP) (Minister for Health and Ambulance Services) (5.37 pm):  
I move the following amendment—

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

1. notes the LNP health plan was the most detailed ever health plan taken to an election by an opposition.
2. notes the Sangster review revealed Labor's failed hospital plan was undeliverable.
3. notes comments by Infrastructure Partnerships Australia that Labor's failed hospital plan was a 'mirage of media releases', and that 'blind optimism and unbridled enthusiasm was never a plausible delivery strategy'.
4. notes the previous government cruelly deceived communities right across Queensland in relation to Labor's failed hospital plan.
5. condemns the Leader of the Opposition for refusing to release the cabinet documents as requested by this House yesterday.
6. condemns the Leader of the Opposition, and his Labor colleagues, for cruelly deceiving the people of Queensland by promoting a hospital plan that they knew was undeliverable.

There is no doubt the truth hurts. The truth hurts, and we saw it when Mr Sangster provided his plan—an independent review by someone from outside of Queensland, commissioned to provide a review. That is why it is so important that the three failed Labor health ministers stand up and explain what they knew, when they knew and why they did not tell the people of Queensland because I have heard a lot of complaints from those opposite. They have been running around like Chicken Little—'The sky is going to fall in on our head.' None of it has eventuated. The cranes are still swinging, the concrete is still being delivered and the plans are being drawn up. None of it has ever happened, but they have never explained what they knew and why they failed to do it.

I repeat the call I have been making for a week now: if they have the courage of their convictions, if they think they are right, go outside this chamber, stand up and front the media and produce the documents that justify their position. Even better, come into this place and ask me a question about it. They have put 209 questions on notice but they do not have the courage to stand up in this place and ask me a question. I get more questions from the crossbench than I get from those on the other side. They are happy to do it in the dark, but they are not happy to stand up and have the battle of policy in this place. They scurry around like little moles beaver away, hiding away and sniping from the sidelines.

When they stand up in here, what happens? We know the Leader of the Opposition, the member for Miller and the member for Inala get it wrong. They have to stand up and apologise. When they stand up, they get it wrong. That is their record in this place, and that is their record with the people of Queensland. They are unable to get their facts straight. They are unable to tell the truth in this place. They have to stand up—

**Mr Bailey:** Meltdown mode!

**Mr NICHOLLS:** I take that interjection from the member from Miller. When it comes to meltdowns, member for Miller, it was not anyone on this side who stormed out without failing to acknowledge the House. When it comes to meltdowns, we know who the master of meltdowns is in this place. We saw it right before our eyes. We did not need an action replay! When it comes to having respect for this House and for telling the truth, we know who can be believed and who cannot be believed.

Let's get down to it. Here are the questions they still refuse to answer: when did they know that there was no contract for the Robina Hospital expansion; when did the member for Gaven, who sat around the cabinet table, know that that contract had fallen over; when did the member for Cairns realise that all the money had been spent and there was none left over and there was no plan to relocate the helipad; when did the member for Cairns know that they had no secure site? They are failures and they deserve to be condemned.

*(Time expired)*