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Crisafulli LNP Government, Integrity

 **Hon. LM ENOCH** (Algester—ALP) (2.06 pm): 'When governments give up on integrity, they give up on governing for Queenslanders.' That is a quote from the member for Broadwater speaking in this House in early 2024—a time when he talked a big game about integrity and made a lot of promises but, sadly for Queenslanders, all that is left of this Premier's word is a path of broken promises and mounting integrity scandals. Integrity experts have raised the alarm multiple times regarding this LNP government and its approach to governing: from ramming through legislation and overriding committee processes, drawing concerns that the government was governing through the executive, sidestepping the voices of Queenslanders, and ignoring processes established in response to the Fitzgerald inquiry; through to removing the ban on developer donations and essentially quadrupling the donation cap in Queensland, raising concerns of corruption risks; from the multiple jobs for mates we have seen from this LNP government, including to key positions like the Electoral Commission, that have raised concerns about impartiality and very real integrity concerns; through to a sham public consultation to name QPAC's new theatre after the Premier had already approved his minister's preference.

For a Premier who talked a big game about integrity and crowed about transparency, we are seeing a further disturbing trend. Under the Miles government over a seven-month period, 59 cabinet submission documents were released, with 54 of them full submissions and only five oral submissions. In contrast, under the Crisafulli LNP government over a much longer period of time, 62 documents have been released, but here is the critical difference—only 28 are full submissions. A staggering 34 are either marked as oral submissions or contain no submission at all, just the decision, and it gets worse. There are at least 18 pieces of legislation that have passed this parliament where no cabinet submission has been released at all—major reforms covering crime, planning, energy, electoral laws and more—yet Queenslanders are denied access to the very documents that explain how and why those decisions were made. At the same time, only a select group of bills have had their cabinet submissions released.

There is no consistency and no clear standard, just selective transparency. This is exactly what the Coaldrake report warned against. The review called for a culture of proactive release—a shift towards openness as the default. It made clear that transparency should not be something governments work around but something they actively embrace to build public trust, yet what we are seeing instead is an LNP government finding ways to avoid that intent. In the Premier's own words, when governments give up on integrity they give up on governing for Queenslanders. That is exactly what we are seeing from this Premier and from this LNP government.