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Lauga slams Hanson over toad hunt

Pauline Hanson should focus on reducing the casualisation of jobs before pushing her hair-brained plan to initiate a cane toad bounty, the Member for Keppel and Assistant Education Minister Brittany Lauga said today.

Mrs Lauga said it was reprehensible Senator Hanson was trying to force unemployed people to scavenge for cane toads instead of doing what she was elected to do - providing them with safe and secure jobs.

“She is completely missing the point in what is a typical, misguided policy-on-the-run by the One Nation party.

“The best way to help unemployed people is by growing the number of secure jobs.

“And yet she has voted numerous times against penalty rates, against labour hire workers and against workers’ rights.

“This is the Queenslander who wanted to take millions of dollars off Queenslanders to give to Western Australia as part of the GST shakeup, when it suited her electorally.

“This toad issue is just a shallow headline grab and proves again One Nation can’t be trusted by Queenslanders.”

Mrs Lauga said Ms Hanson votes with the LNP Government more times than not, - a government that is giving the big end of town billions of dollars in tax cuts while Senator Hanson orders the unemployed on a mission to kill cane toads for 10c.

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“This is just not fair.

“The last two decades in Australia have seen a dramatic decline in permanent work, and corresponding growth of insecure forms of employment, such as casual, contract work and labour hire.”

Mrs Lauga said the level of insecure work in Australia is “not normal”.

“It is far worse than most OECD countries and it has gotten much worse over under Senator Hanson and this Morrison Government.

“Insecure work is the biggest issue facing Australian workers.”

Mrs Lauga said growing the number of secure jobs in Australia is the best way to give unemployed people a chance – not by forcing them to scavenge for cane toads to earn a measly 10c.

“When she’s in Queensland, Pauline Hanson says she’s standing up for battlers; but in Canberra, she stabs them in the back.

“She’s done it on penalty rates, she’s done it on pensions and she’s done it on labour hire,” said Mrs Lauga.

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