Every Child Wins a Prize – except for Dave
While Territorians pay the bill

Shadow Minister for Government Accountability Michael Gunner today highlighted the obvious conclusion that the sudden elevation of four backbenchers to parliamentary secretaries was no more than a bribe from Terry Mills to hang on to his leadership.

“Promoting Larissa Lee, Bess Price and Francis Xavier all just days after they saved his job is a blatant bribe rewarding his supporters in last week’s leadership challenge.

“He is using taxpayer dollars to shore up his leadership. Terry Mills has made sure his supporters are financially invested in him remaining Chief Minister” Mr Gunner said.

Every single CLP MLA has now been given an elevated role from the leadership challenge courtesy of the taxpayer, except of course Dave Tollner.

Parliamentary Secretaries get access to range of additional taxpayer funded benefits including staff and unlimited travel.

“Last week the CLP had one parliamentary secretary, today they have five. They only thing that has changed is that Terry Mills had to buy some votes and reward his supporters.

“Promoting Larissa Lee when she has been in hiding for nearly two months over serious fraud allegations is farcical.

“According to Terry Mills, Larissa Lee is now more involved in Government decision making and the future direction of the Northern Territory – she just isn’t allowed to talk about it,” Mr Gunner said.

15 out of 16 CLP politicians are now all aboard the gravy train, except for Dave Tollner who reverts to his role as the loneliest politician in the world.

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