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CLP MEMBERS GOING AGAINST TERRITORIANS IN BID TO SELL TIO

Shadow Minister for Government Accountability, Natasha Fyles, today said Adam Giles and the CLP Government are treating Territorians with contempt as they push ahead with plans to sell TIO next week.

“TIO belongs to Territorians and they do not want to see it sold,” Ms Fyles said.

“A poll of 405 Territorians in the electorates of Port Darwin, Fong Lim, Brennan and Greatorex last night showed 80 percent of Territorians are against the sale of TIO.

“But Adam Giles and the CLP Government are arrogantly ignoring the call of Territorians to keep TIO a public asset.”

Ms Fyles said that Deputy Chief Minister Peter Chandler as much as admitted on 7.30 NT last night that TIO will be sold with criteria keeping it intact for three years.

“Showing their utter contempt for Territorians the TIO sale criteria protects our local insurer until after the next election.

“This means the CLP Government can pretend nothing has changed in TIO in the lead up to the 2016 Territory election while they use the proceeds of the sale for pork barrelling – then after the election TIO will be gone forever.

“The CLP Government does not care about the damage they will have caused and the pain they will have inflicted on Territorians to achieve this.”

Ms Fyles said the Members of the CLP’s job is to represent their constituents, and their constituents are against the sale of TIO.

“Members of the CLP Government will be going against the wishes of the very people who elected them if they vote to sell TIO next week in Parliament,” Ms Fyles said.

“It is not too late to save TIO.

“Territorians are calling on Members of the CLP Government to do the right thing and cross the floor to vote against the sale of TIO.”

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