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Significant Cabinet changes

Today's newly announced Ministerial portfolios and significant changes bring the Territory's economy to a grinding halt, at a time of domestic recession.

Leader of the Opposition, Gary Higgins questioned why the Chief Minister moved the responsibility of both Business and Innovation and the Police, Fire and Emergency Services portfolios to the Deputy Chief Minister.

"In the current state of lawlessness and major concerns around community safety, the Chief Minister has done nothing but abrogate responsibility.

"Now is not the time for any further hiatus in activity, and this reshuffle is simply a distraction that will cause further delays.

"This is an irresponsible move by the Chief Minister that simply costs Territorian tax payers more money and will not improve community safety or the state of our economy.

"An additional Minister should have minimal impact and cost.

"It is time for action, not reshuffles to appease internal rumblings," said Mr Higgins.

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