



MEDIA STATEMENT

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40,000 Public Servants #GetREDy for a New Deal

Today, 40,000 public servants will present their claims for a new two-year deal.

With a state election looming, this time the CPSU/CSA is seeking commitments from all political parties, particularly both the Liberal and Labor parties who usually form the majority parties for government.

Secretary Toni Walkington says the March 11th election is a trump card for the campaign.

“We know both parties will be listening very carefully because, like it or not, neither wants 40,000 public servants voting against them.

“We want the public service to be rejuvenated and retain our progressive thinkers and some of the state’s best and brightest contributors.

“We think a fair deal should reflect that; good quality jobs that provide wages to sustain a family or household, leave to address family & domestic, ensuring quality public services through limits on privatisation, and excessive use of fixed-term and labour hire contracts.

“The past few years have been very tough on the public sector with the staffing freeze, budget cuts, privatisation and the increased use of short-term contracts means many government departments have been left decimated.

“We want the next government to invest in the public service, making it a stronger system for both the workers and the public who rely on it every day.”

Today CPSU/CSA members will wear red for #GetREDy day to launch the campaign.

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