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**PORTER DOUBLES DOWN ON UNFAIR CUTS TO PAID PARENTAL LEAVE**

The Minister for Social Services, Christian Porter today doubled down on the Turnbull Government's unfair cuts to paid parental leave that will see 70,000 new mums worse off each year.

If Malcolm Turnbull and Christian Porter get their way, around 70,000 mums with a median income of \$62,000 will be on average \$5,600 worse off.

Christian Porter was asked in Question Time today about the impact of proposed cuts to PPL on nurses in New South Wales, who stand to lose 8 weeks of paid parental leave or \$5,300.

Mr Porter's answer made clear that it is still the Turnbull Government's policy to cut paid parental leave.

Just last week the Turnbull Government withdrew the Omnibus Bill from the Parliament which contained the cuts to paid parental leave because it couldn't get the support of the Parliament.

Then the Treasurer, Scott Morrison, confirmed that: ***"These are measures [from the Omnibus Bill] that continue to stand as government policy."***

- ***Scott Morrison, Sky News, 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2017***

Parents need to know exactly when the Turnbull Government is proposing to start these cuts to paid parental leave.

Once again the Turnbull Government is failing to give expectant mums the certainty they need. The last thing they need is confusion about how much paid parental leave they will be entitled to.

Australian families know they can't trust the Liberals when it comes to paid parental leave.

It's time for the Turnbull Government to drop its unfair cuts to paid parental leave once and for all.

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