



ON THE FRONT LINE

NSW Labor Premier Morris Iemma talks with building workers in Sydney's CBD

Labor delivers jobs

The State Election on Saturday, March 24 is crucially important to NSW workers and their families. NSW Liberal leader Peter Debnam has said he will hand over more than one million NSW workers still protected by the NSW industrial relations system to Howard's unfair WorkChoices regime. He will also assist John Howard in further attacking your wages and conditions.

This confirms Morris Iemma's Labor Government remains the last line of defence against the Commonwealth attack on the wages, entitlements and lifestyles of hard-working families.

Who can you trust?

Mr Iemma, son of Italian migrants and a married, father of four young children, who has lived all his life in the western Sydney suburb of Beverly Hills, and who knows personally how interest rate hikes hurt; **or** Debnam, the former naval officer dubbed Prince Charles because of his appearance, who lords it over the rich Sydney enclave of Vaucluse in his Speedos.

Spot the difference

- In a time of downturn in the construction industry, Mr Iemma is committed to helping create thousands of jobs for building

workers with the planned East Darling Harbour development, which includes \$2.5 billion of construction between 2008 and 2020, and the \$800 million redevelopment of the Carlton brewery site in Chippendale. The Iemma Government has also approved more than \$4.4 billion worth of capital works over the next four years.

- Debnam's idea of helping boost jobs is to dump the Iemma East Darling Harbour development for a plan that has few jobs for workers in construction.

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- Mr Iemma is spending \$18.5 million on 10 new trade schools so students can start apprenticeships at school.
- Debnam plans to axe 20,000 public service jobs affecting one in seven nurses, teachers and police in NSW, and as a result

reduce the number of apprenticeships that will be on offer.

- Mr Iemma has moved to cut petrol prices by mandating the use of ethanol-blend petrol by 2011.
- Debnam believes working families can "thumb their noses at the oil companies" by buying a hybrid car worth \$50,000.

There is no contest. Morris Iemma believes "trade unions are, and should be, at the very heart of our political, social and economic life. To attack the unions is to attack the very fabric of our nation".

While Debnam brands those protesting against his planned cuts to jobs as "union thugs".

What you can do

Union members, their families and friends must make sure their voice is heard on polling day, Saturday, March 24. If you are working on Saturday you can get a pre-poll vote (Phone 9207 2000 or 1800 503 035) or go and vote when you knock off.

Also make sure you, your friends and family are on the electoral roll. Let's give the Liberals in NSW a hiding and send a message to Johnny Howard that we are coming after him next.