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Mr TED O'BRIEN (Fairfax) (13:59): Mr Speaker, I'm afraid that the Australian Labor Party has become morally bankrupt.

Opposition members interjecting—

Mr TED O'BRIEN: Oh, their wailing cries and the crocodile tears of confected outrage! Aren't they good at it? We know that the Labor Party have become morally bankrupt, because they deploy a strategy where on the one hand they lie and on the other hand they tax. Lie, tax, lie, tax—that's their game.

The SPEAKER: The member for Fairfax will withdraw.

Mr TED O'BRIEN: I withdraw, Mr Speaker. Let me make clear, if I can, to the House that in Longman the Labor Party are running an unashamed untruth. On the one hand they're saying, 'Look over here; there's a problem with hospital funding.' Meanwhile, what are they doing with the other hand? They're picking the pockets of the people of Longman. That's what they're doing. They are reaching their hands into the pockets of every retiree, every worker and every family, and they're taking every dollar they can. That's what the Labor Party do. They take every cent they can to feed their habit of spending—to get their fix. They are not worthy and they are not fit to serve the people of Longman, let alone to govern this country.

The SPEAKER: In accordance with standing order 43, the time for members' statements has concluded.