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Something is afoot in the offices of Employment Minister Lance McCallum.

The Minister of 10 months has struggled to keep electorate staff in his Bundamba office.

Apparently it's a less-than-harmonious workplace environment which has drawn attention from the man in charge of staff, Clerk of the parliament Neil Laurie, and the Electrical Trades Union.

GSB hears Mr McCallum is out of favour among the powerful ETU, whose backing helped him win preselection for Bundamba at a March 2020 by-election.

The Labor Party is apparently also aware of trouble with one of its newest ministers.

A question about the Minister's knowledge of claims of a poor work culture in his electorate office was handballed.

"Matters relating to staffing of electorate offices are a matter for the Clerk of parliament," Mr McCallum's spokesman said.

Adding to his problem is a highly-unusual attack from the LNP, which has started letterbox dropping his community.

Spies in that deep red Labor electorate showed us a handout branded with Opposition Leader David Crisafulli's face telling residents "time's up for Labor".

It's early and doesn't indicate the LNP will launch a full attack on Labor's third-safest seat, but having the cheek to letterbox there is clever political mind games.