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ARBIB HAS HIS JOB PRIORITIES WRONG!

Employment Participation Minister Mark Arbib needs to shift his focus away from finding jobs for failed NSW Labor politicians and prioritise the needs of job seekers around Australia.

Newly appointed Shadow Minister for Employment Participation Mathias Cormann has called on Senator Arbib to put the interests of job seekers around Australia first.

"Since becoming a Minister, Mark Arbib has been more focused on sorting out jobs for NSW Labor politicians than on the challenges faced by job seekers across Australia," he said.

"Here is hoping that distraction will be over for a little while and that he'll be able to reflect on the job destroying impact of Labor's deeply flawed ETS.

"On becoming a Minister he said that most of his job related to jobs from the so called stimulus package.

"Six months down the track he still hasn't been able to point to one real new job created by billions of dollars in taxpayers' money thrown around in various cash splashes and spending sprees.

"At the same time the government is wasting billions of dollars supposedly to create jobs, they are pressing ahead with a massive new tax which will cost thousands of jobs around Australia.

"Meanwhile he is making a real mess of the employment services network by pressing ahead with completely counterproductive changes to what was a very good system.

"Australian job seekers deserve better. They deserve a Minister focused on their needs, and not just the needs of the NSW Labor Party," Senator Cormann said.

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