



Speech By
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Mr HART (Burleigh—LNP) (12.13 pm): Wasn't that a speech full of mistruths? Fair dinkum!

Ms Grace: Name one.

Mr HART: I will name a number of them in a minute. With no notice the government put this motion to the House, and then government members are surprised when we speak against it and defend the federal budget. How incomprehensible!

Let us look at some facts. The Labor government never lets the facts get in the way of a good story—or a bad story in this case. I have here figures from 2012-13, when Labor was in power federally. Total Commonwealth funding to Queensland was \$19.4 billion; this year it is \$26.8 billion—a rise of \$7.4 billion. They got more money. Specific purpose payments are up from \$9.8 billion to \$12.6 billion. They got more money. In 2012-13 GST entitlements were \$9.6 billion; they are now \$14.2 billion. They got more money. Education and skills funding is up from \$3.1 billion to \$4.9 billion—more money. Infrastructure funding is up from \$0.6 billion under the Labor government in 2012-13 to \$1.8 billion. Health and hospitals funding is up from \$3.1 billion to \$5 billion. Those opposite are just not telling the truth.

The member for Cooper spoke about the M1. We all know that the federal funding split of 80-20 is on new federal roads. The M1 is not a new federal road. This is an upgrade we are talking about, and they have always been funded 50-50. It is clear as a bell. The member for Cooper also mentioned light rail stage 3. The Morrison government has stumped up the money for that. It is in the budget. Where is the money from the state government for light rail stage 3A? We keep asking, but we have not yet seen a cent.

The Premier said that the Deputy Premier would talk about the remote Indigenous housing national partnership. She failed to talk about that. This morning we asked how much Indigenous housing this government has built. We did not get any answer to that question. They have failed completely to negotiate in good faith with the federal government. We have spoken continually to the federal government about the negotiating process, and the feedback we get is that the Northern Territory has signed up to have \$500 million and Western Australia has signed up. Those opposite have deliberately—as a political ploy—avoided signing a number of national partnership agreements, including this one. If there is a minister yet to speak, perhaps they can tell us how much Indigenous housing this government has built.

Tabled paper: Question on notice No. 211, asked on 27 February 2019, from the member for Burleigh, Mr Michael Hart MP, to the Minister for Housing and Public Works, Minister for Digital Technology and Minister for Sport, Hon. Mick de Brenni, together with the answer [544](#).

I went through this last night. For the members who were not here last night I will repeat it. We look forward to watching the federal Leader of the Opposition give his budget reply speech tonight. We know that Labor will be pushing for 50 per cent of all cars in the future to be electric vehicles. That is

over 10 million vehicles. A new modern electric vehicle takes about 30 kilowatts to charge up and run for an hour. If we extrapolate that to 10 million vehicles, that is 300,000 megawatts of power. The National Electricity Market in Australia produces only 54,000 megawatts. For six hours you have to charge up a car to run for 100 kilometres, if these lunatics get their way. How is that going to work?

Mr DEPUTY SPEAKER (Mr Stewart): Order! Member for Burleigh, you have used unparliamentary language.

Mr HART: I withdraw. We will be charging these cars for six hours for just 100 kilometres. We are never going to get anywhere. That is for sure.

Last night the member for Miller said that he would take on board comments from the regulators at the federal level. I table an article referencing the Australian Energy Market Commission.

Tabled paper: Article from the *Australian*, dated 4 April 2019, titled 'Renewable energy puts national power grid under stress' [545](#).

The article states that 'Australia's electricity grid is relying on emergency safety nets to keep the lights on' and that the Energy Market Operator stepped in more than 100 times last year to order South Australia's gas generators to fire up. We all know what is happening in South Australia: the lights are going out.

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