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 **Mr JANETZKI** (Toowoomba South—LNP) (5.27 pm): I sometimes wonder about the strategic minds of the Labor Party. They come up with a motion like this. Again, it betrays that they have got no legislative agenda. They get to five o'clock on a Thursday afternoon, and the mover of the motion—I will not reflect, Mr Deputy Speaker—cannot be here. They get to the end of the day. This actually reminded me of what happened back in 2019, when we were inflicted with a range of speeches—

Mr DEPUTY SPEAKER (Mr Kelly): Pause the clock. Member, there is a convention about not reflecting on the absence of a member. I ask you to withdraw.

Mr JANETZKI: I withdraw. In 2019 we were inflicted with a range of speeches. I remember we heard from the members for Redcliffe, Woodridge and Sandgate, and we heard all about candidates like Zac Beers, Ali France, Des Hardman and Corinne Mulholland. On and on they would drone about these candidates, wasting time. Here we are again on a Thursday afternoon on the eve of a federal election and they want to have a debate about a fair share. I think we know all about a fair share on this side of the House, and those of us particularly from regional Queensland would love to have a debate about our fair share.

Mr Lister interjected.

Mr JANETZKI: My guess is the member for Southern Downs would like to. What is that project you want?

Mr Lister: Emu Swamp Dam.

Mr JANETZKI: Emu Swamp Dam, and we hear about it day after day in this House because all we want is our fair share.

I am sure the member for Lockyer has a water project, too, and the member for Nanango—all the regional MPs. In fact, as the member for Nanango has just mentioned, wouldn't the member for Gregory love to see delivered a \$10 million investment given to this state government by the feds? Wouldn't it be great to see our fair share? We know all about a fair share on this side of the House—not to mention the inner-city members of our team who want to see road upgrades and health upgrades.

I want to take the last little bit of my time to talk about a fair share in my patch. How about a fair share for the Toowoomba Hospital? We have been waiting decades! We have had minister after minister from that side of the House come to Toowoomba and talk about 'a brand new hospital'—a brand new hospital befitting a growing community and the need for 21st century health care. It is time for our fair share.

This federal government has delivered plenty for Queensland. Never forget that that side of the House during COVID, in our hour of need, per gross domestic product, spent the least of any state in the country. We want our fair share for regional Queensland.