



Speech By  
**Hon. David Crisafulli**


**MEMBER FOR BROADWATER**

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## **MINISTERIAL STATEMENT**

### **Veterans**

 **Hon. DF CRISAFULLI** (Broadwater—LNP) (Premier and Minister for Veterans) (9.38 am): Last Monday, the Commonwealth government responded to the final report of the Royal Commission into Defence and Veteran Suicide. I want to take a moment to acknowledge the families, the friends and the colleagues of veterans who fought for and contributed to the royal commission. Having been through what they have, it cannot have been easy. In doing so, though, they ensured their loved ones leave behind a legacy to improve how we treat veterans and do better, and as a nation we will do better because we must do better.

Defence members, veterans and their families play such an important part in Queensland's history and they will continue to shape our state for the better. Our veteran community brings valuable skills and knowledge to Queensland business and industry, and they play an important role in the social fabric that makes up the Queensland way of life. We will look to address opportunities for better coordination of common services as identified in the report, such as the coroner sharing data and the improvement of services provided to defence families. Our government will look to build on our initiatives that support Queensland's veterans, recognising service and maximising social and economic participation. I want all current and former service men and women in our state to know that in Queensland you have a state government that truly values your service.