




Speech By
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SUPERMARKET PRICING SELECT COMMITTEE

Order of Appointment

 **Mr JANETZKI** (Toowoomba South—LNP) (11.52 am): I seek to insert the following paragraph after the final paragraph of the Premier's motion—

Notes, the most critical drivers of the Queensland cost-of-living crisis have been excluded from examination in the inquiry; and inserts that

The committee also examine the following terms of reference include the additional cost-of-living pressures that lie within state jurisdiction;

- A. The impact of rising electricity prices on grocery costs, including Queensland experiencing the highest electricity price rises in the nation since Callide C went offline.
- B. The impact of skyrocketing insurance prices on small and family business, due to the Queensland youth crime crisis.
- C. The impact of rising water costs on grocery costs, as well as a lack of water security, with the government failing to build new dams and now tearing down the Paradise Dam.

Mr SPEAKER: Member, I am going to interrupt you because I asked you to ensure the amendment was relevant, not seeking to essentially change the entire intent. The intent is the establishment of a committee which relates to, I understand, supermarket pricing and other things which may be related to cost of living; however, you are now getting into other territory, talking about dams and water security. I was trying to give you guidance. I allowed you the opportunity. I am now going to not accept the motion.

Mr BLEIJIE: Mr Speaker, I rise to a point of order. Is that an official ruling from you, Mr Speaker, under the standing orders—that you are not accepting an opposition amendment to a cost-of-living motion? I am asking if that is a ruling of yours.

Mr SPEAKER: Regardless of what the motion is about, I have given a ruling.

Mr BLEIJIE: Thank you.

Mr SPEAKER: As you will see, I gave the courtesy to the member to commence the contribution. I had already started to put the question—I was not required to do that; I gave some latitude—and I am not accepting the motion on that basis.