



Speech By  
**Hon. Steven Miles**


**MEMBER FOR MURRUMBA**

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**MINISTERIAL STATEMENT**

**Electricity Prices**

 **Hon. SJ MILES** (Murrumba—ALP) (Premier) (9.32 am): Queensland households have the lowest electricity bills in the National Electricity Market. That is according to Canstar Blue. Our massive energy rebate program has helped make that a reality. There are 1.6 million households that are receiving \$550 off their energy bills and a further 620,000—

**Opposition members** interjected.

**Mr SPEAKER:** Order, members to my left!

**Honourable members** interjected.

**Mr SPEAKER:** Order, members! Let us hit the reset button, members.

**Mr MILES:** A further 620,000 vulnerable Queensland households are receiving \$1,072. This is more than households in any other state are receiving—something my government is proud of. It is because Queenslanders own their energy assets. On this side we believe in going even further. That is why we implemented the Climate Smart Energy Savers program: \$44 million in funding helped more than 72,000 Queenslanders purchase energy efficient appliances, including more than 22,000 fridges, more than 9,000 air conditioners, 24,000 washing machines, almost 5,000 driers, nearly 11,000 dishwashers and 1,600 solar and heat pump water systems. These appliances are using less electricity, driving down electricity bills. In real terms, the Department of Energy and Climate estimate that Queenslanders will save more than \$7.4 million on their bills each year. That is about \$102 per appliance. Each cycle is saving Queensland households money. These are the real and practical measures that my government will invest in. I have said the upcoming budget will deliver the biggest cost-of-living relief package to Queenslanders ever because they tell me that is what is impacting them the most. Their priorities are our priorities and I am committed to doing what we can to make a difference.