



Speech By Hon. Amanda Camm

MEMBER FOR WHITSUNDAY

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Hon. AJ CAMM (Whitsunday—LNP) (Minister for Families, Seniors and Disability Services and Minister for Child Safety and the Prevention of Domestic and Family Violence) (10.13 am): The Crisafulli government is proud to be laying the foundation to support those most vulnerable in our community, including our aging and our seniors. I want to acknowledge and thank the Council on the Ageing Queensland for the incredible work they do across our state. I note the feedback we received since handing down the budget, including their endorsement of permanently maintaining 50-cent fares which is keeping older people connected and engaged across our communities. We are keeping GP visits affordable by ensuring that the patients tax did not proceed. There will be multiple hospital upgrades and we are addressing ambulance ramping, which has impacted our most vulnerable, particularly seniors.

The new Supercharged Solar for Renters program will help reduce ongoing energy costs. We are investing in community facilities, such as Men's Sheds, University of the Third Age and community halls right across our state. We are also proud to ensure that seniors and other vulnerable households will benefit from the increased Electricity Rebate Scheme. This will help more than 600,000 households reduce their power bills by \$386 in 2025-26.