



Speech By  
**Hon. David Crisafulli**


**MEMBER FOR BROADWATER**

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**MINISTERIAL STATEMENT**

**Budget**

 **Hon. DF CRISAFULLI** (Broadwater—LNP) (Premier and Minister for Veterans) (9.39 am): We promised to turn up and deliver a fresh start for Queensland, and that is exactly what the 2025 budget delivers. Structural reforms and long-term measures are at the heart of our budget approach. Queensland families have been doing it tough. This budget provides responsible cost-of-living relief to help take the pressure off the household budget. We believe that cost-of-living relief must be long term, targeted and fully funded across the forwards. That is exactly what this budget delivers.

We have already made 50-cent fares permanent. This budget also restores indexation to the electricity rebate scheme for vulnerable households. That will provide greater support to more than 600,000 Queensland families. Our new Back to School Boost will help cover the cost of school essentials for primary school students, with \$100 delivered each and every year for every Queensland primary schoolkid. It is funded in the budget every year, delivering certainty for families. We have funded \$200 Play On! sports vouchers to help keep kids active.

**Opposition members** interjected.

**Mr CRISAFULLI:** I will note the laughter from the other side. Under our government, the program covers both summer and winter sports.

**Mr Dick** interjected.

**Mr CRISAFULLI:** I will take the interjection from the member for Woodridge. It is fully funded in the forwards to provide certainty to families. We also promised easier access to healthcare services, no matter where you live.

**Mrs Nightingale** interjected.

**Mr SPEAKER:** Member for Inala, we will start the warning list very early if this continues.

**Mr CRISAFULLI:** This budget fully funds our Hospital Rescue Plan—credible, deliverable and fully funded. We axed the patients tax to make sure more costs were not passed on to Queenslanders.

**Ms Grace:** There was no patients tax.

**Mr CRISAFULLI:** I will take the interjection from the member for McConnel, who said, 'There was no patients tax.' There would have been from 1 July, if Queenslanders had not voted for change.

**Opposition members** interjected.

**Mr CRISAFULLI:** I take the interjection. They are always overreaching, making up stories and scaremongering. Our record investment in health services—\$33.1 billion—will provide more free health care than ever before. We have also funded free health checks at kindy, and 60,000 kids, along with their families, will benefit from the program.

Queensland's population is growing. With that comes the need for more housing. We want Queenslanders to have a place to call home. That is why we axed a Labor tax and removed stamp duty for first home buyers. We extended the First Home Owner Grant, and this budget invests in a new Boost to Buy program to help more Queenslanders get into the property market. This is nation-leading support for homebuyers to reduce the deposit gap, help them enter the market and help them cope with rising costs.

This budget delivers what we promised when we were elected. It delivers structural reform to deal with the underlying issues Queenslanders are facing today. By boosting productivity and reducing wasteful spending, we are restoring respect for taxpayers' money. That is why we have been able to deliver long-term, targeted cost-of-living support to Queenslanders when they need it most.