



Speech By  
**Hon. David Janetzki**


**MEMBER FOR TOOWOOMBA SOUTH**

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**MINISTERIAL STATEMENT**

**Economy**

 **Hon. DC JANETZKI** (Toowoomba South—LNP) (Treasurer, Minister for Energy and Minister for Home Ownership) (9.45 am): The Crisafulli government is delivering the fresh start that Queenslanders voted for one year ago. Our first budget funded services that would have ceased and jobs that would have ended and saved infrastructure and projects that would have never been built under Labor. We provided targeted and timely, responsible and recurrent cost-of-living relief for Queenslanders and we laid the foundations for budget repair. Employment for the year grew by 55,900 jobs to September. Unemployment in Queensland is below the national average, but there is more work to do after a decade of Labor's fiscal vandalism.

We have abolished two taxes. We axed Labor's patient tax to stop Queenslanders paying more when visiting the doctor. We abolished stamp duty for first home buyers who buy or build a new home. After languishing at the bottom of the home ownership ladder under Labor, more Queenslanders are realising their dream of owning their own home. We have extended the \$30,000 first home owner grant for a further 12 months and lifted restrictions on first home buyers and enabled them to rent out a room.

Another hallmark of Labor's decade of decline was Queensland's poor productivity, particularly in the construction sector, and that is why we re-established the Queensland Productivity Commission, which on Friday delivered its report on the construction sector following a six-month inquiry. The government will carefully consider the report and its recommendations and prepare a whole-of-government response over the next three months, as required by the act.

Our Energy Roadmap is improving the assets we have while we build what we need for the future. We are investing in our state owned energy generators through our \$1.6 billion energy maintenance guarantee, including the C3 unit at Callide which is currently undergoing scheduled maintenance, due for completion on 10 November. CS Energy has advised that the C4 unit at Callide Power Station tripped and came offline at approximately 6.30 on Sunday evening following a storm and lightning strike to Powerlink's Calvale switchyard, which connects Callide to the power grid. Callide units B1 and B2 are online. Assessment of the full impact of the storm is ongoing, but CS Energy advises the C4 unit is currently forecast to return to service on Friday. Engineers are also reviewing the turbine and boiler historical data to ensure there are no issues in returning the unit to service as forecast. CS Energy has also advised that there has been some storm damage to the C3 and C4 cooling towers.

I again want to thank Energex and Ergon workers for their ongoing work in reconnecting power after Sunday's storms and the strong winds that we saw yesterday. I can advise that as of this morning there are approximately 5,000 homes and businesses without power due to Sunday's storms, the winds of which reached the strength of a category 1 cyclone, with 265,000 lightning strikes and more than 370 powerlines downed. Work is continuing around the clock to restore power to remaining areas, with Brookfield, Fig Tree Pocket, Indooroopilly, Kenmore, Bardon and Pullenvale especially hard-hit.