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Victims of Crime

 **Hon. LJ GERBER** (Currumbin—LNP) (Minister for Youth Justice and Victim Support and Minister for Corrective Services) (10.08 am): Before the election almost a year ago, the Crisafulli government promised Queenslanders that there would be fewer victims of crime. We promised we would restore our youth crime laws with Adult Crime, Adult Time so that there are consequences for actions. We promised we would give our frontline officers the laws and resources they need to restore safety back to our streets, homes and businesses. We promised we would deliver early intervention and rehabilitation programs to turn young lives around.

Queenslanders asked for a fresh start and that is exactly what the Crisafulli government is delivering. After 10 years of Labor inaction, we are cracking down on crime in this state. You do not need to take my word for it. The early report card is in. The number of victims of crime has gone down in the first nine months of the Crisafulli government.

We still have a long way to go, but finally we are heading in the right direction. We are finally starting to see safety restored to our community after 10 years of Labor's youth crime crisis and victim numbers rising year on year. We will not take our foot off the pedal. We will not stop strengthening our laws, boosting our police and delivering youth crime fighting programs to keep Queenslanders safe.

Adult Crime, Adult Time is making Queensland safer by holding serious repeat offenders accountable for their actions. This means fewer families waking to find their cars pinched, fewer businesses suffering the consequences of break-ins and fewer Queenslanders living in fear. That is not all, we are just getting started. Alongside our tough youth crime laws, we are also rolling out early intervention and rehabilitation programs right across the state to break the cycle of crime.

It will take time to reverse a decade of Labor's despair and destruction, but we will not stop on our mission to continue to drive down the number of Queenslanders who fall victim to crime in this state. We are delivering the fresh start Queenslanders voted for—where every person can feel safe in their home, in their workplace and in their community.