## **QUESTION ON NOTICE**

## No. 1212

# asked on Thursday, 27 October 2022

MR N DAMETTO ASKED THE MINISTER FOR RESOURCES (HON S STEWART)—

## QUESTION:

With reference to families struggling with the rising cost of living and artificially inflated housing prices off the back of government stimulus and unprecedented migrations to Queensland over the past 2 years—

Will the Minister advise if the government will consider a freeze on state land valuations for the next four years to assist Queenslanders with the rising cost of living pressures due to Local Government rate rises?

## ANSWER:

The Minister for Resources has no legislative or administrative powers to set local government rates.

Further, the Valuer-General is the person who is responsible for the execution of the statutory functions under the *Land Valuation Act 2010*, including land valuations, and this role is not subject to the direction of the responsible minister.

There is no legislative or administrative power to direct the Valuer-General to freeze land valuations or not issue new valuations.