

Senate President,

Firstly I'd like to thank everyone who helped work on this Budget. It's was truly a team effort and I am forever indebted to those who assisted me throughout long nights to get the job done.

I'd like to firstly thank the Prime Minister, the Honourable Model-Slater, the Deputy Prime Minister, the Honourable Gregor_the_Beggar, the Right Honourable Dame Youmaton AD, the Member for Pearce Mr. NGSpy, and Ms. Model-Putrid for their assistance throughout. Whether it be over the phone, in my office, over Zoom or by text, they have greatly assisted in the drafting of this Budget.

I'd also like to thank the Parliamentary Staff, and the Treasury for their continued assistance throughout this process.

I would also most importantly like to thank the People of Australia for electing a Government that truly believes in change, and change we will deliver on. I am forever grateful to the people who elected me, the people of Nicholls, whom have re-elected me thrice, and now get to see the agenda achieved.

The People of this Country I am sure will appreciate this budget and the objectives in delivers on, from mental health funding to tax cuts.

Mr Senate President,

We have not seen a Budget passed since the Bloc Government's budget. I do hope to see that change with this.

I do pray that all present in the Parliament of Australia recognise the importance of passing this budget, and I hope to make it happen.

Mr Senate President;

I will now commence the Budget Speech.

The two thousand and twenty two to two thousand and twenty three Budget for the Commonwealth of Australia. This Budget seeks to continue deficit spending as required by the Reserve Bank of Australia to ensure economic growth.

The deficit for the 2022-2023 budget shall be \$76,421,000, down from the 2021-2022 budget which had a deficit of \$279,604,000.

We have reduced spending overall, reflected by the end of the Coronavirus pandemic which impacted the 2021-2022 financial year. As well as increasing revenue from \$482,995,000 in the 21-22 budget to \$557,371,000.

The Debt of the Commonwealth shall grow to \$1,111,627,000,000, to 54.79% of the GDP.

However as we have reduced the deficit overall, the ability to pay off this debt has increased immensely.

The Parliament portfolio shall be receiving \$260,026,000 in appropriations.

The Agriculture and Water Resources portfolio shall be receiving \$4,802,316,000 in appropriations.

The Attorney-General portfolio shall be receiving \$1,609,804,000 in appropriations.

The Communications and Arts portfolio shall be receiving \$11,048,054,000 in appropriations, a large amount of this is reflected by our commitments to Fibre to Premises; and Service Obligations for Telstra Corporation Limited.

The Defence portfolio shall be receiving \$29,159,197,000 in appropriations.

The Education and Training portfolio shall be receiving \$59,913,430,000 in appropriations.

The Environment and Energy portfolio shall be receiving \$4,886,058,000 in appropriations.

The Finance portfolio shall be receiving \$9,095,335,000 in appropriations.

The Foreign Affairs and Trade portfolio shall be receiving \$8,558,151,000 in appropriations.

The Health portfolio shall be receiving \$44,453,180,000 in appropriations.

The Home Affairs portfolio shall be receiving \$6,164,703,000 in appropriations.

The Industry, Innovation and Science portfolio shall be receiving \$13,280,066,000 in appropriations, with a large amount of this money going towards the Northern Australia Infrastructure Fund which will deliver enormous benefits for the areas of Northern Australia. Infrastructure, Regional Development and Cities shall be receiving \$44,217,763,000 in appropriations.

The Jobs and Small Business portfolio shall be receiving \$6,294,878,000 in appropriations.

Now Mr Senate President, if I may, I shall move onto the new initiatives of the Government of the Commonwealth of Australia made up of the Australians Greens and the Country Labor Party.

This is perhaps what I am most excited about, and has demonstrated the enormous legislative agenda that the current government has had.

Firstly, we have the \$200,000,000 towards Rural and Regional Distribution Centres

Allowing for the better distribution of goods throughout the regional and rural areas of our nation.

We are committing \$30,000,000 towards salt interception, not from the Oppositions tears, but from the waterways within the Murray Darling basin, preventing excess salt accumulation and extreme salinity.

We are delivering \$10,000,000 to the Federal Independent Firearms Authority, to ensure consistency between states on the matters of firearms legislation. Keeping Australians safe from gun crime and ensuring that farmers who need firearms for their line of work, sportspeople who

engage in shorting, and other people who need firearms can retain access while ensuring the necessary safety commitments and consistency between states.

We are sending \$300,000,000 to the Land and Environment Restoration Fund to also reduce salinity, improve the natural environment especially plant life in shallow marine bodies, and making sure that interstate bodies of water and jointly managed land have necessary funds. Now, this is one of the big ones, it's \$6,000,000,000 for the re-nationalisation of Medibank Australia. Bringing it back into Government hands and delivering affordable private healthcare to Australians.

On the topic of healthcare, we are delivering \$100,000,000 for a increase in GP and clinical availability in the Australian Capital Territory, which shall allow for more bulk billing providers, reducing costs for Canberran residents who currently suffer from some of the lowest bulk billing accessibility in the country.

Again on healthcare, we are delivering \$100,000,000 for Regional Mental Health Clinics, upgrading existing infrastructure and constructing new facilities for regional and rural Australians to access, so that they can get the necessary help they need. This also allows for the provision of Gender Affirmation therapy for those who identify as transgender and others who may be struggling with their identity.

With even more healthcare, we are spending \$500,000,000 for the creation of PharmRural, which a specialised wing of the Department of Health. This organisation shall be tasked with the acquisition of of medical equipment and pharmaceuticals for rural Australians. Including especially access to insulin and diabetic care.

And once again on the topic of healthcare, we are delivering \$37,000,000 for the constructions of hospitals in regional and rural South East Queensland, as well as a hospital in the south of Canberra servicing the rural communities outside of the ACT as well as the southern areas of Tuggeranong.

With \$200,000,000 for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander wardens authority, operating with state and territory equivalents where necessary.

And \$50,000,000 for the creation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Prison Authorities, also operating with the state and territory equivalents when needed and necessary.

\$50,000,000 shall be allocated to the creation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Childcare services, allowing for a connection to culture for Indigenous children, reversing the impacts of the stolen generation on cultural erasure from childhood, reinvigorating languages and maintaining strong community connections.

On the topic of Infrastructure,

We are delivering \$9,000,000,000 for Newcastle Rail Upgrades, for the construction of Fast Rail between Newcastle and Sydney. Serving communities on the way.

In another boon for the State of Hunter Valley, there shall be \$1,100,000,000 for Cessnock Rail Upgrades, creating a faster railway line between Cessnock and the eventual Sydney and Melbourne fast rail lines.

Sorry I mean the Region of the Hunter Valley.

For Canberra we are delivering \$300,000,000 for Stages 3 and 4 of the Canberra Light Rail.

For New South Wales, there shall be \$2,200,000,000 for transport infrastructure, with \$2,000,000,000 of this being for Parramatta Light Rail, and \$200,000,000 for Regional Coach Network services.

Of course this is on top of existing funding for Sydney Metro and other commitments from previous governments who's spending we are continuing.

For South Australia, we are investing \$50,000,000 for bus frequency upgrades, regional coach upgrades and the creation of a railway line between Finally Ridge and Adelaide.

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For Victoria, we are investing \$23,540,000,000 in transport infrastructure, including \$9,400,000,000 for Regional Rail Revussy, \$5,000,000,000 for the Suburban Rail Loop, \$3,000,000,000 for the Melbourne Airport Rail, and \$4,000,000,000 for tram and light rail

extensions in Melbourne, including the extension of terminuses to be closer to existing transport connections as well better interchanges between transport modes. \$500,000,000 for the beginning of the Bendigo-Ballarat-Geelong railway plan. \$1,000,000,000 for the construction of Melbourne Metro 2, and \$40,000,000 into V/Line Coach Service Upgrades.

This also gives \$68,000,000 to the Brigalong Railway Extension.

On the Brigalong Railway Extension, the reason why we funded this actually was because, I was walking down the street one day, and this girl runs up to me, she was wearing an Ed Sheeran shirt, and she said to me "Mr Kyōsantō, could you please fund the Brigalong Railway Extension please, that way I can take the train to the Ed Sheeran concert." Ah, I do recall that girls name, it was "Merrily" I believe.

In terms of Queensland, we are delivering \$3,800,000,000 with \$3,000,000,000 of this going towards the Northern Busway extensions beyond Chermiside. Recognising the enormous success of the Northern Busway. With \$500,000,000 to Eastern Busway construction, \$300,000,000 to G:Link stage 3, and \$50,000,000 into the business case for G:Link stage 4. As well as \$25,000,000 into regional buses and coaches.

Now for Tasmania we have \$60,000,000 annually, with \$50,000,000 for Riverline Light Rail, and \$10,000,000 for North Tasmanian Bus and Coach services.

The Northern Territory shall be in receipt of \$15,000,000 for the Darwin to Palmerston transitway.

Moving on...

The Mining Workers Redundancy Fund shall receive \$500,000,000 a year to ensure that we can make sure that our former mining workers can transition, and remain financially stable as their careers become redundant. Reducing poverty and fear of coal mining closure.

And that's it!

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