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Reducing the Cost of Living

Australian families are suffering one of the largest cost of living spikes in 40 years. Groceries, fuel, utility charges and housing costs have gone up dramatically since 2021 to the point where living standards in real terms have dropped by 10%.

ISSUES

- Government “printing of money” during Covid-19 started the problem.
 - Interest rates have been raised dramatically by the RBA in a bid to quell inflation, putting even more strain on many households.
 - Ongoing excessive spending by governments, however, is prolonging the problem.
 - The cost of living crisis is also caused by a lack of productivity growth, which in turn causes a lack of real income growth.
 - Increasing bureaucracy and regulations increases production costs and decreases productivity.
 - Government taxes and charges make housing and daily necessities even more expensive, and for many, unaffordable.
 - Previous weak governments have regulated instead of acting, leaving ordinary people to carry the high tax burden of inefficient and wasteful government.
- ...share of responsibility to cut costs, thereby easing cost pressures on taxpayers and residents.
- For a 100% permanent reduction in fuel excise as a cost of living reduction measure that will reduce inflation across the economy.
 - For the elimination of alcohol excise.
 - To eliminate unnecessary laws and regulations that impede service delivery, retard economic growth, and burden individuals and companies in red tape and bureaucracy that increase costs for all.
 - To hold government departments and agencies accountable and compel them to focus on service delivery, rather than unnecessary regulation and enforcement.
 - For the decentralisation of resourcing and operational decisions to government departments and agencies delivering services on the ground.

SOLUTIONS

Jim and Lachlan will fight:

- To oppose further unjustified increases in government spending and ensure that the relentless tax take of the Federal Govt is curtailed.
- To restore economic prosperity by quashing cost of living, with Government carrying its...

