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All stunts, no long-term plan

Labor have reduced themselves to a party of stunts and Tasmanians have had a gutful.

The Rockliff Liberal Government is using the winter parliamentary recess to connect with local communities, and doing what matters most to all Tasmanians.

In contrast, all Labor is interested in is using local communities for political stunts and fearmongering.

Who will pay for Labor's uncosted price cap?

Labor continues to refuse to explain how they will pay for it. What taxes will they raise, and what services will they cut?

You can't have both targeted relief and a price cap - so will they scrap bill relief payments to pay for their price cap?

In contrast, the Rockliff Liberal Government is delivering immediate support right now for vulnerable Tasmanians with significant concessions and electricity bill relief available.

In fact, because of our Government's \$45 million energy bill relief investment, 6 out of 10 households will receive \$250 which will cover the average cost increase of power bills this year.

Our policy has always been to ensure Tasmanians have the lowest, or amongst the lowest, regulated electricity prices in the nation and also amongst the highest concessions in the nation.

We are delivering on this commitment.

Tasmania's regulated electricity prices are set until June 30, 2024 which proves Labor's call for Parliament to be recalled is nothing but a stunt.

By far the biggest pressure right now on families is rising interest rates – and Labor knows it.

Why have Rebecca White and Dean Winter refused to pick up the phone and challenge the Albanese Government who also hold the levers when it comes to cost of living?

Labor talks about priorities a lot - it seems their only priority is to cause instability.

It's the Rockliff Liberal government which is focused on keeping our economy strong and supporting business confidence, rather than silly political tactics which do nothing to support Tasmanians.