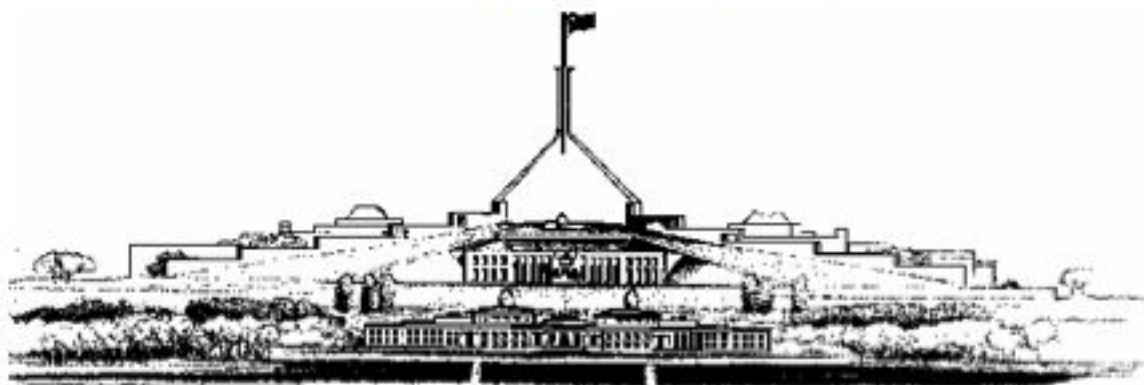




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Mr TED O'BRIEN (Fairfax) (13:32): If Labor were to win government, all Australians would have to pay more. Looking just at my electorate of Fairfax, I ask the Leader of the Opposition—and indeed all those members opposite—why should young families looking for a home in Bli Bli or Brightwaters have to pay more for their properties? Why should nurses working at the Nambour Hospital pay more because they're denied a deduction for costs to manage their tax? Why should innovative businesses and young entrepreneurs in Maroochydore or Coolum pay higher income taxes? Why should family business owners in Kunda Park or Eumundi be targeted for holding discretionary trusts? Why should farmers in Kenilworth and Yandina be slugged with more capital gains tax for selling off a parcel of land? Why should retirees in Buderim and Twin Waters be forced to pay double taxation on share dividends? Why? Why under a potential Labor government should people in my electorate—indeed, why should all Australians—have to be forced to pay more? Because that is precisely what the Leader of the Opposition and the Labor Party are proposing. Thank you.