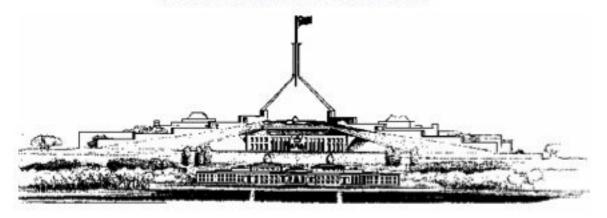


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Mr TED O'BRIEN (Fairfax) (13:43): There's been a lot of arrogance shown by the people opposite this week. I think Labor thinks they've already got the election in the bag. They get so excited, licking their lips almost. Big government, big unions, big taxes—that's what they get excited about. We know the truth and so do the Australian people. Labor comes with a cost, and guess who pays. The average pensioners, retirees, families, students—that's who has to pay for the Labor Party.

Only last week I received a letter from a man who's in his 70s on the Sunshine Coast, recovering from open heart surgery. He is distressed because he and his wife are going to lose 25 per cent of their meagre income because of the retiree tax of the Labor Party—25 per cent, and yet the Labor Party think it's funny. They love their puffed-up hubris.

As we all know, the Labor Party are more than happy to rip off everyday Australians. But they're not going to get away with it. No matter what immoral disregard they show for senior Australians, they will be fought every step of the way so that they do not come to this side of the House.