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Empty Labor Promises

More than 18 months after Tasmanians were promised "No one left behind" under an Albanese Government, Tasmanians are beginning to ask just when they will be better off under Labor.

Federal Member for Bass Bridget Archer said after more than 600 days in Government, Labor needs to step up and start delivering.

"The cost of going to a GP has gone up, we are yet to see the promise of power bill relief come to fruition and many charitable organisations are seeing unprecedented demand for services as the cost-of-living pressures continue to impact many in our community," Mrs Archer said.

"These are all issues affecting my electorate and I am also becoming increasingly concerned by the number of families who are unable to secure childcare.

"The promise of cheaper childcare is little comfort for a family who are unable to access the service in the first place."

Senator for Tasmania Jonno Duniam said Tasmanians are feeling duped.

"Despite promises from Labor, Tasmanians are experiencing higher power prices, higher taxes, higher mortgages and a cost-of-living crisis that is spiralling out of control," he said.

"A recent report ranks Tasmania as the lowest in the nation for bulk billing rates and highest for outof-pocket costs to see a GP. Funding for GP services is under the domain of the Federal Labor Government who need to address this issue urgently.

"2024 is proving to be another difficult year for Tasmanians and Labor's suite of industrial relations, environmental and economic measures aren't helping. Our aquaculture, mining and forestry industries are in the firing line of a Government that is ready to sacrifice Tasmanian jobs to gain mainland votes.

"Every Labor MP needs to ensure Tasmania's economy doesn't suffer further hardship under this Government and advocate for policies that will benefit our state not make it go backwards."

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