

## **MORE MONEY IN YOUR POCKET**

### **Position:**

- FAMILY FIRST believes Australians are struggling to make ends meet with the rising cost of living and increasing grocery and petrol prices, not to mention electricity and water bills;
- FAMILY FIRST wants to restore real competition in markets such as groceries, petrol and pharmaceuticals, to keep prices as low as possible for families;
- FAMILY FIRST is concerned that Coles and Woolworths/Safeway control a thumping 80 per cent of the grocery trade and dominate the petrol market.

### **Actions:**

- FAMILY FIRST wants the Government to cut petrol tax by 10 cents a litre. The Prime Minister says this will cost \$2.8 billion which is affordable. It also keeps inflation and interest rates low. More than 35 per cent of the price of petrol is government taxes which is over 50 cents for every litre. FAMILY FIRST is the only party with a plan to fix petrol pain;
- FAMILY FIRST has introduced legislation to stop big business predatory pricing to force independent supermarkets, petrol retailers and pharmacies out of the market. Powerful retailers drop their prices in one suburb to drive out competitors, before raising their prices later on. This forces some small retailers to shut up shop because they can no longer compete, and prices rise due to less competition.