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Dear Mr Laurie

I refer to petition 4058-24 received by the Queensland Legislative Assembly on 21 May 2024 seeking all Queensland Government offices to accept cash as a legal form of payment.

Cash remains an important part of the Australian payment system and economy. The emergence of new technologies and increasing competition among payment service providers are offering consumers a wider choice of payment solutions alongside more traditional forms of payment such as cash and cheques.

The Australian Parliament has exclusive power to make laws about currency, coinage and legal tender, as provided in the Constitution of Australia.

Petitioners may be interested to note that a variety of state government payments can be paid in person using cash. For example, accounts for vehicle registration can be paid at transport customer service centres and Australia Post outlets using a range of methods, including cash.

I thank the petitioners for taking the time to raise their concerns.

Yours sincerely

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