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Topic: Taxi subsidy scheme for people with disability

Hansard Page: Written

Senator Boyce asked:

COAG has managed to create a national parking permits scheme for people with disabilities and a nationally accepted Companion Card Scheme. Why haven't the various State-based taxi subsidy systems also been developed into a national scheme?

Answer:

Responsibility for the administration of taxi subsidy schemes lies with State and Territory Governments. Commonwealth budget funding in 2009-10 provided seed funding to support the national harmonisation and implementation of accessible parking schemes and the Companion Card Scheme respectively.