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Senator Moore asked:

What is being done to standardise or harmonise reporting requirements for incorporated associations across States and Territories? What priority is this given and what is the timetable for reform? In the absence of the ACNC and COAG NFP Working Group how can this be achieved?

Answer:

The Department is committed to working with jurisdictions on streamlining arrangements for charities and not-for-profits, including exploring options for harmonisation of reporting requirements.

This is consistent with the Government's broad deregulation agenda to boost productivity by removing any overly complex red and green tape imposed on business, community organisations and individuals by at least \$1 billion a year.