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Senator Urquhart asked:

In evidence at the hearing the Department advised that together with the Department of Finance you are “deep in the analytical stage” of implementing the Coalition’s e-Government strategy. How far behind the schedule outlined for Digital First in *Advancing Australia as Digital Economy* is implementation of the e-Government agenda?

Answer:

Though the Digital First initiative outlined in *Advancing Australia as Digital Economy* shares some elements with the Government’s approach to e-Government outlined in the *Coalition’s Policy for E-Government and the Digital Economy*, the two approaches differ and a direct comparison of their implementation cannot be made.