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Topic: Rent Setting and allocation policies

Hansard Page: Written

Senator Payne asked:

Who has responsibility for driving these rent setting and allocation reforms discussed at 6.4 of the Victorian Government's paper, prepared on behalf of the Housing Ministers' Conference for COAG, entitled "Implementing the National Housing Reforms – A Progress Report to the Council of Australian Governments from Commonwealth, State and Territory Housing Ministers" (November 2009)? What is the status of the report to government ministers that is mentioned in the document? Can we see it?

Answer:

State and Territory Governments have responsibility for rent setting and allocation policy. Detailed questions and any work on implementation are best directed to State and Territory Governments.

The paper mentioned in the 2009 progress report to COAG was the Queensland paper on rent setting and allocation policies. This paper was considered by Ministers at Housing Ministers' Conference (HMC) in September 2009 and continues to be progressed as an agenda item on the HMC. It is not a public document as Housing Ministers are continuing to review options and progress into 2011.