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Question:

Mr Hazlehurst: The draft law itself has been circulated by the Australian Registrars' National Electronic Conveyancing Council for consultation, and a draft RIS will also be circulated shortly. So there are still a number of steps left in that process. That reform itself is one that is being managed by the states, as opposed to the Commonwealth having a particular role in it.

Senator PAYNE: Is there a particular host state or chairing state for that one?

Mr Hazlehurst: I am certain there is one, but I cannot tell you who it is! I am sorry; I do not have that information in front of me.

Senator PAYNE: Pick one of six! Could you let me know, please, Mr Hazlehurst, on notice?

Mr Hazlehurst: Yes.

Answer: New South Wales is the host state for the electronic conveyancing reforms.