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ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE
DURING PUBLIC HEARINGS

Asked by: Mr Mark Parton MLA

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In relation to: Conversations with NSW regarding CMS

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MR PARTON: Sorry, Chair, just finally then, on the basis of that answer. Has there been any conversation whatsoever between this government and New South Wales, you just indicated that New South Wales is updating their central monitoring system, has there been any conversation about the potential inclusion of the ACT in that scenario?

Mr Ng: I would have to take that on notice, Mr Parton, particularly the officials ...(indistinct)... [3.21.20] speak with the minister.

MR PARTON: Please. Thank you.

Mr Rattenbury: Yes. Let me check that because I know the officials do talk to other jurisdictions at times, and I just do not know the answer.

Mr Shane Rattenbury MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:

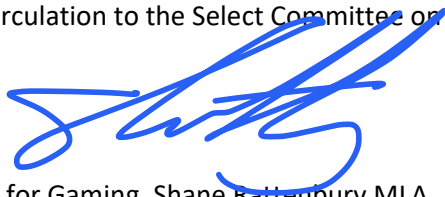
ACT Government officials have had preliminary discussions with NSW officials regarding changing EGM technology in that jurisdiction and implications for the NSW central monitoring system.

Following the 2023 NSW Election, in May 2023 I wrote to the incoming NSW Minister for Gaming and Racing, the Hon David Robert Harris MP, seeking cooperation with the NSW Government on EGM technology issues and work towards measures such as cashless gaming. ACT Government officials are exploring opportunities through the ACT-NSW memorandum of understanding to establish arrangements for this to occur. However, as the ACT Government has not made a decision to proceed with the proposed CMS for ACT EGMs, it would be premature to formally pursue this issue beyond these preliminary considerations.

More broadly, ACT Government officials regularly monitor and keep up to date with relevant developments in other jurisdictions, including New South Wales and speak to officials in all jurisdictions as necessary (including through the interjurisdictional Card Based Gaming and Pre-Commitment Working Group) to help ensure that, where possible and appropriate, policy objectives align across borders.

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By the Minister for Gaming, Shane Rattenbury MLA