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## BOARD OF TREASURERS MEETS FOR THE FIRST TIME

NSW Treasurer Dominic Perrottet has hailed the inaugural Board of Treasurers meeting in Adelaide yesterday as a success.

"This heralds a new era in collaborative federalism with states working in tandem across policy areas which are mutually relevant," Mr Perrottet said.

"States and territories that are united in their approach to solving common issues create a stronger, more unified nation as a whole."

The Treasurers agreed to pursue an ambitious reform agenda, particularly in enhancing productivity to encourage economic growth.

The Treasurers discussed health and education funding negotiations, as well as the need for more constructive dialogue with the Commonwealth to create sustainable funding outcomes.

"I want to acknowledge the respect and consideration each of my fellow Treasurers brought to these discussions," Mr Perrottet said.

"It is vital that the states and territories collaborate with each other and the Commonwealth to produce the best outcomes for all Australians, now and into the future.

"I'd particularly like to thank South Australian Treasurer Tom Koutsantonis for hosting our first meeting."

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