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to admit that you are wrong or that you have lost an argument

***NSW, Vic back down on NDIS trials:***

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**The Premiers of New South Wales and Victoria have backed down and found money to put into trials of the National Disability Insurance Scheme, giving Julia Gillard a significant political victory.**

***Kroger, Hawker join Lateline:***

**BRUCE HAWKER: Look, I think it has been a bit of a tough time for the Government. But I suspect they have been prepared to wear the humiliation involved in backing down in this way**

***Andrew Laming Behind the scenes on the Liberal spill:***

**TOM IGGULDEN: What about on specific issues? He's at the moment more or less put Tony Abbott on notice to back down on the pension changes announced in the last budget.**