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## **Income Support Payments – maintain funding for compliance checks**

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**What will the measure do?** ▶ The measure ensures that the targeted detection of incorrect social security payments and fraudulent claims will continue.

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**Why is this being done now?** ▶ The measure was introduced by the Government in the 2001-02 Budget and covers:

- Joint Centrelink and Australian Taxation Office (ATO) compliance activity;
- Data-matching between Centrelink and the ATO to determine undeclared property assets and income; and
- Reviews arising from the increased ‘tip-offs’ received from the public.

▶ The measure has been reviewed and found to have successfully achieved its objectives of targetting incorrect social security payments.

▶ The Government has decided to continue the measure to protect the integrity of our social security system.

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**What will be the financial impact of this measure?** ▶ This measure will deliver net savings of \$453.6 million over four years.

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