# Senate Standing Committee on Finance and Public Administration

### ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

#### Human Services Portfolio

## Department of Human Services

Additional Estimates 2007-08 - February 2008

Question: HS47-HS48

Outcome 1, Output 1.1

Topic: Centrelink - Efficiency Dividend

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SENATOR COONAN asked on 22/02/2008:

HS47: Will there be any cuts to fraud compliance?

HS48: If yes, how will this affect Centrelink's ability to prevent welfare fraud?

### Answer:

HS47: During the Additional Estimates hearing, Centrelink advised that there will be a reduction in employee numbers but it was not in a position to say where and how many reductions would occur.

HS48: Reductions in employee numbers will not affect Centrelink's ability to prevent welfare fraud.