

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**

**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**Human Services Portfolio**

**Department of Human Services**

Budget Estimates 26 May 2005

**Question: HS102**

**Outcome 1, Output 1**

**Topic: Detection & Prevention of Incorrect Payments Arising from Overseas Income – Costs & Savings**

**Hansard Page/Written Question on Notice: F&PA 60 26/05/05**

Senator Evans asked on 26 May 2005:

Mr Whalan: I am going to assume that is the case, and I will get the figures. But yes, it would cost us to implement it and there will be a savings overall.

Senator Evans: I would like both figures, if you can provide them.

Answer:

Centrelink's implementation costs are \$13.4 million over 4 years (\$14.7 million including GST).

This measure is delivered by Centrelink on behalf of the Department of Family and Community Services. Details of program savings should be sought from the Department of Family and Community Services.