

1500-Voter Survey, October 2014, MOE +/- 2.5%

Voters Know Welfare Fraud is a BIG Problem

THEY'RE RIGHT.
WELFARE SCAMS ARE WIDESPREAD AND COSTLY.

What percent of voters believe at least 10% of Medicaid spending is wasted due to fraud and abuse?

74%

DID YOU KNOW:

Nationally, taxpayers spend \$420 billion every year on Medicaid for 60 million people.

What percent of voters believe at least 25% of all food stamp spending is wasted due to fraud and abuse?

54%

DID YOU KNOW:

Nationally, taxpayers spend \$80 billion every year on food stamps for 48 million people.

Why do you think welfare fraud and abuse is a problem?

- 47%** It is a moral problem where people abuse the system at the expense of help for the truly needy
- 34%** It reflects the government's inability to responsibly manage social programs
- 13%** It is a fiscal issue straining government budgets and adding additional burdens to taxpayers
- 6%** Don't know

FACT: BETWEEN 5% AND 25% OF WELFARE SPENDING HAS BEEN FOUND TO BE WASTED OR FRAUDULENT



In Pennsylvania, more than 160,000 individuals were fraudulently receiving Medicaid benefits, including a millionaire lottery winner.



In Massachusetts, Michael S. is receiving Medicaid benefits despite owning a 2011 BMW 550xi, a 2011 Audi R8 and a 2010 Toyota Land Rover.



In Illinois, more than 8,000 dead people, including those who died as early as 1989, were still enrolled in Medicaid. More than 300,000 people were found and removed from the program because they were no longer eligible.

The Proven Solution to End Welfare Fraud

STOP THE SCAM INITIATIVES ARE SAVING BUDGETS.

Illinois is expected to save approximately \$350 million every year through Stop the Scam E-Verification Best Practices.

Pennsylvania has saved nearly \$300 million in the first ten months its Stop the Scam initiative was in effect.

THE STOP THE SCAM SOLUTION IS

EASY AS 1-2-3

1 VERIFY

Enhanced data-matching technology that checks federal, state and commercial databases to confirm income, residency, identity, employment, citizenship status and more.

2 MONITOR

Regular and automatic reviews of current welfare rolls screened against updates to databases to ensure welfare recipients are still eligible.

3 PROSECUTE

Publicly prosecute individuals who knowingly abuse the welfare system to recover lost benefits, deter future abuse and change the culture of the welfare program.

