

Gov. Walker: Announces DOR anti-fraud initiatives save taxpayers \$255 million over six years

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Madison - Governor Scott Walker announced today that initiatives by the Wisconsin Department of Revenue (DOR) to protect the identity of taxpayers and prevent fraudulent activity have yielded a significant return for taxpayers. Last tax season, DOR stopped more than \$63 million in fraudulent refunds and credits. During the past six tax seasons, DOR has prevented more than \$255 million in potential fraud.

“Protecting Wisconsin’s taxpayers is a top priority,” Governor Walker said. “This includes protecting them from waste, fraud, and abuse. I applaud the Department of Revenue for their efforts to safeguard our citizens from fraudulent activity. We will continue to work with them and remain vigilant so we can prevent identity theft and other forms of fraud.”

DOR Anti-Fraud Efforts	
Fiscal Year	Total Savings
2016	\$63,043,527
2015	\$57,786,246
2014	\$49,659,865
2013	\$30,173,245
2012	\$25,738,269
2011	\$29,054,408
Total Six Year Savings	\$255,455,560
2010	\$18,604,585
2009	\$18,084,318
2008	\$13,881,956
2007	\$10,137,308
2006	\$10,366,656
Previous Five Year Savings	\$71,074,823

For more information about DOR’s identity verification program, visit www.revenue.wi.gov and click on the ID Verification badge.