

# Inspectors General Focus *on* Government Efficiency

Over the course of the last decade, IGs have had a cumulative impact on the U.S. Government of identifying **\$693 billion** in potential savings. However, over **13,000** recommendations made by IGs have yet to be implemented – many of which could result in substantial savings to taxpayers.

To highlight these potential savings, the following 7 IG reports included recommendations that could result in approximately **\$62 billion** in funds being used more efficiently, including:

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**\$45.6 billion**

- In potentially fraudulent pandemic unemployment insurance (UI) payments

**\$7.2 billion**

- In Supplemental Security Income (SSI) overpayment errors

**\$4.9 billion**

- In unused funding available for reimbursement of regular UI benefits, held in states' Federal Unemployment Accounts

**\$1.8 billion**

- In potentially erroneous Employee Retention Credit claims paid by the IRS

**\$1.2 billion**

- In SSI payments made to someone other than the documented representative payees

**\$727 million**

- Over 4 years, if the DoD addressed the recommendations and expedited the retirement of 24 outdated DoD financial management systems

**\$694 million**

- In Medicare costs over 3 years by expanding the hospital transfer policy for discharges to post-acute care

