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### **Fed & State Governments Pledge to Fix Super Problem for NSW Police**

The Police Association of NSW (PANSW) welcomed today's joint announcement by the Turnbull and Baird Governments of a four year transitional arrangement to ensure New South Wales Police officers can make voluntary superannuation contributions towards their retirement.

Police Association President, Scott Weber praised the Federal Treasurer, the Hon Scott Morrison MP, for sending a strong message of support to police who work to keep our communities safe.

"The PANSW first raised this issue in the lead up to the 2013 election and secured a firm commitment from the former Government to exempt Police Death and Disability insurance payments from the superannuation concession cap and a promise from the new Government to examine the issue.

"We have been working with the Government for three years to get this fixed and the new Treasurer is to be thanked for his commitment.

"It should be recognised that today's outcome is also due to the tireless work and advocacy by Member for Macarthur, Russell Matheson MP who worked consistently on this issue to ensure a fair outcome for NSW Police officers and their families.

"During the long and often frustrating process of lobbying various Ministers, former NSW Police officer Russell Matheson understood what it is like to work on the front line, and with his support we have convinced the Government to act.

"The PANSW also acknowledges the NSW Treasurer, the Hon. Gladys Berejiklian, NSW Deputy Premier and Police Minister Troy Grant and NSW Police Commissioner Andrew Scipione for their role in this decision and for supporting all NSW police officers.

"Subject to the fine detail this decision will bring police into line with all other workers and allow them to put money aside for their retirement.

"It's crucial they have every opportunity to save for their retirement and to ensure their own and their families' financial security. We look forward to continuing to work with all key decision makers to achieve this."

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