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## Building fund offer

HOMEOWNERS have been promised better protection from dodgy builders from July, 2015, under the Coalition Government.

Robert Clark, the state Attorney-General and Minister for Finance, yesterday announced the Domestic Building Consumer Protection Fund, which he touted as a one-stop shop for regulation and consumer protection.

Under the changes, the maximum payout for a claim would be raised from \$200,000 to \$300,000 and consumers would also be able to make claims if builders were deregistered or had their registration suspended — as well as the existing protections for builders who die, become insolvent or disappear.