

Politics podcast: Jim Chalmers on Labor's approach to the economy

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Labor begins its next phase in opposition with bigger numbers in the parliament and with a new level of confidence as it confronts the government.

Shadow Minister for Financial Services and Superannuation Jim Chalmers tells Michelle Grattan Labor has a pretty good record of “supporting what they can” of government savings measures. “The way I like to describe it is when it comes to the budget, you agree where you can and you disagree where you must...I’m someone who puts a lot of value in trying to find as many ways as we can to repair the budget bottom line,” he says.

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