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**Abrahams MP, Labour's Shadow Work and Pensions Secretary**, commenting on the Social Security and Child Support tribunal statistics, said:

## "These

statistics show that two thirds of contested PIP and ESA assessment decisions are being overturned by the courts, demonstrating the total failure of the Tories' punitive social security regime.

## "This

follows the news last week that the Government is ignoring a court ruling and denying 160,000 disabled people the support they need.

## "We

cannot allow disabled people to bear the brunt of failing Tory austerity. Labour will transform the social security system to ensure that, like the NHS,

it is there for us all in our time of need."