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WALKO, JANUARY 31, 2001

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON AGING AND OLDER ADULT SERVICES,  
JANUARY 31, 2001

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of August 26, 1971 (P.L.351, No.91), entitled  
2 "An act providing for a State Lottery and administration  
3 thereof; authorizing the creation of a State Lottery  
4 Commission; prescribing its powers and duties; disposition of  
5 funds; violations and penalties therefor; exemption of prizes  
6 from State and local taxation and making an appropriation,"  
7 further providing for disposition of funds.

8 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
9 hereby enacts as follows:

10 Section 1. Section 311 of the act of August 26, 1971  
11 (P.L.351, No.91), known as the State Lottery Law, renumbered and  
12 amended November 21, 1996 (P.L.741, No.134), is amended to read:  
13 Section 311. Disposition of funds.

14 (a) State Lottery Fund.--All moneys received from the  
15 operation of the State lottery shall be deposited in a State  
16 Lottery Fund which is hereby created. Such moneys shall be used

1 to the extent necessary for the payment of lottery prizes but  
2 the amount so used shall not be less than 40% of the amount of  
3 which tickets or shares have been sold. All payments of lottery  
4 prizes and for expenses of operation of the lottery shall be  
5 made as provided by law. All moneys remaining after payment of  
6 prizes and operating expenses shall remain in the State Lottery  
7 Fund and shall be allocated for the [purpose of] following  
8 purposes:

9       (1) Six and one-half percent of one percent of the money  
10 in the State Lottery Fund shall be allocated to the family  
11 care support programs of the Department of Aging for  
12 education and training for caregivers of persons with  
13 Alzheimer's disease or related disorders. The four-part  
14 education and training sessions shall include a medical  
15 overview, communication and behavior management, legal and  
16 financial planning, meeting daily challenges and safety.  
17 Funding includes costs for presenters, travel, materials and  
18 administration. Administration is limited to twenty-five  
19 percent of costs. In addition, funding will be used to  
20 provide respite for persons with dementia so that caregivers  
21 may attend the training sessions.

22       (2) The remainder of the money shall be allocated for  
23 providing property tax relief for the elderly for taxes paid  
24 in 1971 and thereafter pursuant to the provisions of the act  
25 of March 11, 1971 (P.L.104, No.3), known as the Senior  
26 Citizens Rebate and Assistance Act, and for [the purpose of]  
27 providing free or reduced fare transit service for the  
28 elderly pursuant to Chapter 9 and the act of February 11,  
29 1976 (P.L.14, No.10), known as the Pennsylvania Rural and  
30 Intercity Common Carrier Surface Transportation Assistance

1 Act. In the event sufficient funds are not available from the  
2 lottery receipts to meet the requirements of the Senior  
3 Citizens Rebate and Assistance Act or for providing free or  
4 reduced fare transit service for the elderly under Chapter 9  
5 and the Pennsylvania Rural and Intercity Common Carrier  
6 Surface Transportation Assistance Act, additional funds to  
7 fulfill these obligations shall be appropriated from the  
8 General Fund for this purpose.

9 (b) Appropriations.--The moneys in said State Lottery Fund  
10 shall be appropriated only:

11 (1) For the payment of prizes to the holders of winning  
12 lottery tickets or shares.

13 (2) For the expenses of the division in its operation of  
14 the lottery.

15 (3) For [property tax relief and free or reduced fare  
16 transit service for the elderly as provided under] the  
17 purposes set forth in subsection (a).

18 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.