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MICOZZIE, KASUNIC AND CIVERA, FEBRUARY 25, 1987

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, FEBRUARY 25, 1987

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of March 11, 1971 (P.L.104, No.3), entitled, as
2 reenacted and amended, "An act providing property tax or rent
3 rebate and inflation dividends to certain senior citizens,
4 widows, widowers and permanently disabled persons with
5 limited incomes; establishing uniform standards and
6 qualifications for eligibility to receive rebates and
7 dividends; providing for transportation assistance grants and
8 grants to area agencies on aging for services to older
9 persons; and imposing duties upon the Department of Revenue,"
10 reducing the age requirement for claimants.

11 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
12 hereby enacts as follows:

13 Section 1. Section 3(7) of the act of March 11, 1971
14 (P.L.104, No.3), known as the Senior Citizens Rebate and
15 Assistance Act, reenacted and amended June 16, 1975 (P.L.7,
16 No.4) and amended March 10, 1982 (P.L.177, No.56), is amended to
17 read:

18 Section 3. Definitions.--As used in this act:

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2 (7) "Claimant" means a person who files a claim for property
3 tax rebate or rent rebate in lieu of property taxes and
4 inflation dividend and was [sixty-five] sixty-two years of age
5 or over, or whose spouse (if a member of the household) was
6 [sixty-five] sixty-two years of age or over, during a calendar
7 year in which real property taxes, rent and inflation costs were
8 due and payable or was a widow or widower and was fifty years of
9 age or over during a calendar year or part thereof in which real
10 property taxes, rent and inflation costs were due and payable,
11 or was a permanently disabled person eighteen years of age or
12 over during a calendar year or part thereof in which real
13 property taxes, rent and inflation costs were due and payable.
14 For the purposes of this act the term "widow" or "widower" shall
15 mean the surviving wife or the surviving husband, as the case
16 may be, of a deceased individual and who has not remarried
17 except as provided in subsection (c) and (d) of section 4 of
18 this act. For the purposes of this act the term "permanently
19 disabled person" shall mean a person who is unable to engage in
20 any substantial gainful activity by reason of any medically
21 determinable physical or mental impairment which can be expected
22 to continue indefinitely, except as provided in subsection (c)
23 and (d) of section 4 of this act.

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25 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.