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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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HOUSE BILL

No. 493 Session of  
2015

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INTRODUCED BY GOODMAN, BARRAR, BENNINGHOFF, BIZZARRO, BOBACK,  
BROWNLEE, CARROLL, DEASY, DeLUCA, FREEMAN, GIBBONS, GILLEN,  
A. HARRIS, JAMES, KINSEY, KORTZ, MACKENZIE, MATZIE, McNEILL,  
MURT, O'BRIEN, RAVENSTAHL, SABATINA, SAYLOR, SCHLOSSBERG,  
SCHWEYER, SIMS, SNYDER, TALLMAN, THOMAS, WATSON AND  
YOUNGBLOOD, FEBRUARY 17, 2015

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON AGING AND OLDER ADULT SERVICES,  
FEBRUARY 17, 2015

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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 in Pharmaceutical Assistance for the Elderly, further  
8 defining "income."

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

11 Section 1. The definition of "income" in section 502 of the  
12 act of August 26, 1971 (P.L.351, No.91), known as the State  
13 Lottery Law, reenacted and amended February 7, 2014 (P.L.27,  
14 No.12), is amended to read:

15 Section 502. Definitions.

16 The following words and phrases when used in this chapter  
17 shall have the meanings given to them in this section unless the  
18 context clearly indicates otherwise:

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2       "Income." All income from whatever source derived,  
3 including, but not limited to, salaries, wages, bonuses,  
4 commissions, income from self-employment, alimony, support  
5 money, cash public assistance and relief, the gross amount of  
6 any pensions or annuities, including railroad retirement  
7 benefits, all benefits received under the Social Security Act  
8 (49 Stat. 620, 42 U.S.C. § 301 et. seq.) net of amounts withheld  
9 for Medicare Part B premium payment, all benefits received under  
10 State unemployment insurance laws [and veterans' disability  
11 payments], all interest received from the Federal Government or  
12 any state government or any instrumentality or political  
13 subdivision thereof, realized capital gains, rentals, workmen's  
14 compensation and the gross amount of loss of time insurance  
15 benefits, life insurance benefits and proceeds, except the first  
16 \$10,000 of the total of death benefits payments, and gifts of  
17 cash or property, other than transfers by gift between members  
18 of a household, in excess of a total value of \$300, but shall  
19 not include surplus food or other relief in kind supplied by a  
20 government agency or property tax rebate nor shall the term  
21 include any veterans' benefits from whatever source.

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23       Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.