

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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INTRODUCED BY PETRARCA, STEWART, SALOOM, MISCEVICH, ALDERETTE,  
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DeWEESE, RIEGER, DONATUCCI AND RICHARDSON, MARCH 19, 1984

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND WELFARE, MARCH 19, 1984

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of November 4, 1983 (P.L.217, No.63), entitled  
2 "An act establishing a program of limited pharmaceutical  
3 assistance for the elderly; granting powers to and imposing  
4 duties on the Department of Aging; establishing a payment  
5 system; making provisions for funding; providing for reports;  
6 and fixing penalties for violations of the pharmaceutical  
7 assistance program," further providing for maximum annual  
8 income.

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

11 Section 1. The definitions of "eligible claimant" and  
12 "maximum annual income" in section 3 of the act of November 4,  
13 1983 (P.L.217, No.63), known as the Pharmaceutical Assistance  
14 Contract for the Elderly Act, are amended to read:

15 Section 3. Definitions.

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

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20 "Eligible claimant." A [resident of the Commonwealth] person

1 65 years of age and over, whose annual income is less than the  
2 maximum annual income, [and] who is not otherwise qualified for  
3 public assistance under the act of June 13, 1967 (P.L.31,  
4 No.21), known as the Public Welfare Code, and who has resided in  
5 the Commonwealth at least five years prior to applying for  
6 benefits or who has resumed residence in the Commonwealth after  
7 an absence regardless of the duration of the absence.

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9 "Maximum annual income." Annual income as determined by the  
10 department. Such amount shall not exceed [\$9,000] \$15,000 in the  
11 case of single persons nor [\$12,000] \$19,000 in the case of the  
12 combined annual income of married persons.

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