## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## HOUSE BILL No. 1129 Session of 1987

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND WELFARE, APRIL 27, 1987

## AN ACT

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8	Amending the act of November 4, 1983 (P.L.217, No.63), entitled "An act establishing a program of limited pharmaceutical assistance for the elderly; granting powers to and imposing duties on the Department of Aging; establishing a payment system; making provisions for funding; providing for reports; and fixing penalties for violations of the pharmaceutical assistance program," further providing for the determination of eligibility.
9	The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
10	hereby enacts as follows:
11	Section 1. Section 4(a) of the act of November 4, 1983
12	(P.L.217, No.63), known as the Pharmaceutical Assistance
13	Contract for the Elderly Act, is amended to read:
14	Section 4. Responsibilities of Department of Aging.
15	(a) Determination of eligibilityThe department shall
16	adopt regulations relating to the determination of eligibility
17	of prospective claimants and providers including dispensing
18	physicians and the determination and elimination of program
19	abuse. In determining the eligibility of prospective claimants,
20	the department shall not require persons who are 65 years of age

and over and who have qualified for assistance under the act of 1 2 March 11, 1971 (P.L.104, No.3), known as the Senior Citizens 3 Rebate and Assistance Act, to submit proof of age or residency. The Department of Revenue shall make its records available to 4 5 the department in relation to this provision. The department shall have the power to declare ineligible any claimant who 6 7 abuses or misuses the established prescription plan. The 8 department shall have the power to investigate cases of 9 suspected provider or recipient fraud.

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