

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 493 Session of 2015

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, YOUNGBLOOD AND HEFFLEY, FEBRUARY 17, 2015

AS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON AGING AND OLDER ADULT SERVICES, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, AS AMENDED, NOVEMBER 18, 2015

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." PROVIDING FOR DEFINITIONS. <--

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 AND THE SECTION IS AMENDED BY ADDING A <--
15 DEFINITION to read:

16 Section 502. Definitions.

17 The following words and phrases when used in this chapter
18 shall have the meanings given to them in this section unless the

1 context clearly indicates otherwise:

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

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25 "STATE VETERANS' BENEFIT PAYMENTS." SERVICE-CONNECTED <--
26 COMPENSATION OR PAYMENTS PROVIDED TO A VETERAN OR AN UNMARRIED
27 SURVIVING SPOUSE OF A VETERAN BY A STATE AGENCY OR AUTHORIZED
28 UNDER STATE LAW.

29 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.