



## HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

# FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 425

PRINTERS NO. 441

PRIME SPONSOR: Nelson

### COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2016/17	FY 2017/18
General Fund	\$0	See Fiscal Impact

**SUMMARY:** House Bill 425, Printer's Number 441, amends the State Lottery Law to allow for continued eligibility for individuals enrolled in the PACE and PACENET program. This legislation would take effect immediately.

**ANALYSIS:** This legislation provides that enrollees in the PACE and PACENET program, as of December 31, 2016, will remain eligible for the program if the maximum income limit is exceeded due solely to a Social Security cost-of-living adjustment (COLA). Pursuant to Act 91 of 2015, the Social Security COLA 'moratorium' would have expired on December 31, 2017. This legislation extends the eligibility provision creating a new expiration date of December 31, 2019.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** According to the Department of Aging without an extension of the Social Security COLA provision beyond December 31, 2017, approximately 3,400 PACENET enrollees would lose coverage and 8,800 PACE enrollees would qualify for PACENET rather than PACE coverage. Maintaining continued eligibility without regard to income changes due to Social Security COLA adjustments would result in a FY 2017-18 state cost of \$3,622,000. This cost has been included in the FY 2017-18 PACE and PACENET program funding projection and is not an unanticipated increase.

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*Estimates are calculated using the best information available. Actual costs and revenue impact incurred may vary from estimates.*