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BARLEY, JUNE 10, 1985

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND WELFARE, JUNE 10, 1985

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 defining "income" to exclude  
8 Social Security benefits.

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

11 Section 1. The definition of "income" in section 3 of the  
12 act of November 4, 1983 (P.L.217, No.63), known as the  
13 Pharmaceutical Assistance Contract for the Elderly Act, is  
14 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 "Income." All income from whatever source derived, including

1 but not limited to salaries, wages, bonuses, commissions, income  
2 from self-employment, alimony, support money, cash public  
3 assistance and relief, the gross amount of any pensions or  
4 annuities including railroad retirement benefits, [all benefits  
5 received under the Federal Social Security Act (except Medicare  
6 benefits),] all benefits received under State unemployment  
7 insurance laws and veterans' disability payments, all interest  
8 received from the Federal Government or any state government, or  
9 any instrumentality or political subdivision thereof, realized  
10 capital gains, rentals, workmen's compensation and the gross  
11 amount of loss of time insurance benefits, life insurance  
12 benefits and proceeds, except the first \$5,000 of the total of  
13 death benefits payments, and gifts of cash or property, other  
14 than transfers by gift between members of a household, in excess  
15 of a total value of \$300, but shall not include benefits  
16 received under the Social Security Act (Public Law 74-271, 42  
17 U.S.C. § 301 et seq.), surplus food or other relief in kind  
18 supplied by a government agency or property tax rebate.

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