

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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MELIO, MERRY, TRELLO, HALUSKA AND JOSEPHS, FEBRUARY 8, 1996

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, FEBRUARY 8, 1996

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of March 11, 1971 (P.L.104, No.3), entitled, as
2 amended, "An act providing property tax or rent rebate and
3 inflation dividends to certain senior citizens, widows,
4 widowers and permanently disabled persons with limited
5 incomes; establishing uniform standards and qualifications
6 for eligibility to receive rebates and dividends; providing
7 for transportation assistance grants and grants to area
8 agencies on aging for services to older persons; and imposing
9 duties upon the Department of Revenue," further defining
10 "income."

11 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
12 hereby enacts as follows:

13 Section 1. Section 3(1) of the act of March 11, 1971
14 (P.L.104, No.3), known as the Senior Citizens Rebate and
15 Assistance Act, reenacted and amended December 21, 1979
16 (P.L.570, No.131), is amended to read:

17 Section 3. Definitions.--As used in this act:

18 (1) "Income" means all income from whatever source derived,
19 including but not limited to salaries, wages, bonuses,
20 commissions, income from self-employment, alimony, support
21 money, cash public assistance and relief, the gross amount of

1 any pensions or annuities including railroad retirement
2 benefits, all benefits received under the Federal Social
3 Security Act (except Medicare benefits), all benefits received
4 under State unemployment insurance laws and veterans' disability
5 payments, all interest received from the Federal or any State
6 government, or any instrumentality or political subdivision
7 thereof, realized capital gains, rentals, workmen's compensation
8 and the gross amount of loss of time insurance benefits, life
9 insurance benefits and proceeds (except the first five thousand
10 dollars (\$5,000) of the total of death benefit payments), and
11 gifts of cash or property (other than transfers by gift between
12 members of a household) in excess of a total value of three
13 hundred dollars (\$300), but shall not include surplus food or
14 other relief in kind supplied by a governmental agency or
15 property tax or rent rebate or inflation dividend. Alimony or
16 support paid to a spouse or former spouse under court order
17 shall be subtracted from income.

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