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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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HOUSE BILL

No. 1516 Session of  
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JUNE 3, 2003

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, JUNE 3, 2003

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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 further providing for definitions.

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

10 Section 1. The definition of "income" in section 502 of the  
11 act of August 26, 1971 (P.L.351, No.91), known as the State  
12 Lottery Law, added November 21, 1996 (P.L.741, No.134), is  
13 amended to read:

14 Section 502. Definitions.

15 The following words and phrases when used in this chapter  
16 shall have the meanings given to them in this section unless the  
17 context clearly indicates otherwise:

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2       "Income." All income from whatever source derived,  
3 including, but not limited to, salaries, wages, bonuses,  
4 commissions, income from self-employment, alimony, support  
5 money, cash public assistance and relief, the gross amount of  
6 any pensions or annuities, including railroad retirement  
7 benefits, all benefits received under the Federal Social  
8 Security Act (49 Stat. 620, 42 U.S.C. § 301 et. seq.) (except  
9 Medicare benefits), all benefits received under State  
10 unemployment insurance laws and veterans' disability payments,  
11 all interest received from the Federal Government or any state  
12 government, or any instrumentality or political subdivision  
13 thereof, realized capital gains, rentals, workmen's compensation  
14 and the gross amount of loss of time insurance benefits, life  
15 insurance benefits and proceeds, except the first \$5,000 of the  
16 total of death benefits payments, and gifts of cash or property,  
17 other than transfers by gift between members of a household, in  
18 excess of a total value of \$300, but shall not include surplus  
19 food or other relief in kind supplied by a government agency or  
20 property tax rebate. The term shall not include an amount  
21 equivalent to the amount of the average annual cost-of-living  
22 increase under the Federal Social Security Act taking effect  
23 subsequent to January 1, 2001.

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