

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTH LEGISLATURE

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Legislative Document

No. 846

H. P. 632

House of Representatives, February 13, 1973

Referred to Committee on Taxation. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

E. LOUISE LINCOLN, Clerk

Presented by Mrs. Baker of Orrington.

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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SEVENTY-THREE

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**AN ACT Relating to Property Tax and Rent Relief for Disabled Persons.**

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Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

**Sec. 1. R. S., T. 36, § 6101, amended.** Section 6101 of Title 36 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 1 of chapter 503 of the public laws of 1971, is amended to read as follows:

**§ 6101. Short title**

This Part may be cited as the "~~Elderly~~ Householders Tax Relief Act."

**Sec. 2. R. S., T. 36, § 6102, amended.** Section 6102 of Title 36 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 1 of chapter 503 of the public laws of 1971, is amended to read as follows:

**§ 6102. Purpose**

The purpose of this Part is to provide relief, through a system of grants, to certain elderly or disabled persons who own or rent their homestead.

**Sec. 3. R. S., T. 36, § 6111, repealed and replaced.** Section 6111 of Title 36 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 1 of chapter 503 of the public laws of 1971, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

**§ 6111. Eligibility**

No claim shall be granted which is otherwise allowable under this Part unless during the year for which relief is requested at least one male member of the household shall have attained the age of 65, or at least one female member the age of 62, or at least one member, at any time during the year

for which relief is requested, was receiving benefits for disability from the Social Security Administration or was receiving, as a veteran, any form of pension or compensation from the United States Government for total disability, service connected or nonservice connected, and no less than 35% of the household income is attributable to such members of the household.

**Sec. 4. Appropriation.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Bureau of Taxation the sum of \$630,000 to carry out the purposes of this Act. The breakdown shall be as follows:

	1974-75
FINANCE AND TAXATION	
Bureau of Taxation	
Tax Relief for Householders	
All Other	\$630,000

#### FISCAL NOTE

The estimate is based on 6,000 eligibles for an average grant of \$105.

#### STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is reflected in the title.