

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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STATE OF MAINE  
SENATE  
106TH LEGISLATURE

SENATE AMENDMENT "A" to H. P. 1265, L. D. 1641, Bill, "AN ACT to Amend the Elderly Householders Tax Relief Act."

Amend said Bill by inserting before the enacting clause the following:

'Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, it is of concern that the income of Maine's elderly citizens continues to be low and that property taxes and rents constitute an unfair burden to these citizens; and

Whereas, it is the purpose of this legislation to provide more equitable tax or rent refunds for Maine's elderly citizens; and

Whereas, the period for filing for refunds of 1972 taxes or rent under this legislation commences August 1st which is less than 90 days after adjournment; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore, '

Further amend said Bill in section 6 by striking out in the 3rd line (2nd line in L. D.) the figures "530" and inserting in place thereof the figures '503'

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Further amend said Bill in section 6 by striking out all of the last underlined paragraph and inserting in place thereof the following:

'No claim shall be granted which is otherwise allowable under this Part, unless at least one member of the household shall have attained the age of 62 during the year for which relief is requested and no less than 35% of the household income is attributable to such members of the household.'

Further amend said Bill by striking out all of subsections 2 and 3 of that part designated "§6112." of section 7.

Further amend said Bill by striking out all of section 9 and inserting in place thereof the following:

'Sec. 9. Appropriation. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Bureau of Taxation the sum of \$196,624 to carry out the purposes of this Act. The breakdown shall be as follows:

	<u>1973-74</u>
BUREAU OF TAXATION	
Tax Relief for the Elderly	
Personal Services	(1) \$ 4,794
All Other	191,500
Capital Expenditures	330
	<u>\$ 196,624'</u>

Further amend said Bill by inserting at the end, before the Statement of Fact, the following:

'Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.'

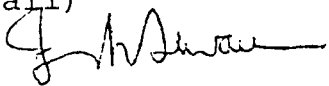
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Statement of Fact

The purpose of this amendment is to reduce the appropriation, delete persons who are disabled and to put an emergency preamble on the bill and to change the appropriation.

(Sewall)

NAME:



COUNTY: Penobscot

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