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STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
107TH LEGISLATURE

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A " to H.P. 104, L.D. 101, Bill, "AN ACT Amending the Elderly Householders Tax and Rent Refund Act to Expand Eligibility to Recipients of Supplemental Security Income."

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, the 106th Legislature specifically excluded recipients of supplemental security income from participation in the Elderly Householders Tax and Rent Refund Program despite the fact that the Federal Government has ruled that tax refunds will not affect benefits under SSI; and

Whereas, the approximately 12,000 SSI recipients age 65 and over are among Maine's lowest income elderly; and

Whereas, the filing period for tax and rent refunds begins on August 1st of each year; 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 peace, health and safety; now, therefore,'

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.'

Statement of Fact

The purpose of this amendment is to add an emergency preamble and emergency clause to the bill.

Reported by the Committee on Taxation.

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