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FIRST REGULAR SESSION

ONE HUNDRED AND NINTH LEGISLATURE

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No. 354

H. P. 290 House of Representatives, February 6, 1979 Referred to the Committee on Taxation. Sent up for concurrence and 1,800 ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Ms. Benoit of South Portland.

Cosponsors: Mr. Peterson of Caribou, Mr. Pearson of Old Town and Mr. Brenerman of Portland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-NINE

AN ACT to Increase the Income Limitation for Eligibility under the Elderly Householders Tax and Rent Refund Act and Low Cost Drug Programs.

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

Sec. 1. 36 MRSA § 6108, as last amended by PL 1977, c. 686, § 16 is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

§ 6108. Income limitation

No claim otherwise allowable shall be granted to claimants of single member households with household income in excess of \$6,000 in the year for which relief is requested; and no claim otherwise allowable shall be granted to claimants of households of 2 or more members with income in excess of \$7,500 in the year for which relief is requested.

Sec. 2. Appropriation. The following funds shall be appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

1979-80 1980-81

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION,

DEPARTMENT OF

Bureau of Taxation All Other

\$1.190.000 \$1.190.000

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to increase the income limitation for eligibility under the Elderly Householders Tax and Rent Refund Act and Low Cost Drug Programs as recommended by the Maine Committee on Aging.

This bill also appropriates sufficient funds for the expected refunds and for the anticipated administrative costs of \$35,000.