

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND TENTH LEGISLATURE

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No. 709

H. P. 626

House of Representatives, February 9, 1981

Speaker laid before the House and on Motion of Representative Pearson of Old Town, referred to the Committee on Taxation. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative Hayden of Durham.

Cosponsors: Senator Emerson of Penobscot, Representative Post of Owl's Head and Senator Clark of Cumberland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-ONE

AN ACT to Increase Eligibility Levels for the Elderly Householders Tax and Rent Refund Act.

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

36 MRSA § 6108, as last amended by PL 1977, c. 686, § 16, is repealed and the following enacted in its place: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

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to increase the income limitation levels for eligibility under the Elderly Householders Tax and Rent Refund Act. It would also increase the eligibility level under the low cost drug program.

This increase would ensure that eligibility levels keep pace with cost-of-living increases in social security and other retirement income sources.