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### ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE

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H.P. 1512 House of Representatives, January 14, 1988 Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.

Reference to the Committee on Taxation suggested and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative DUFFY of Bangor. Cosponsored by Representatives CASHMAN of Old Town, JACKSON of Harrison and Senator TWITCHELL of Oxford.

STATE OF MAINE

### IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-EIGHT

AN ACT to Increase the Minimum Standards for Eligibility for the Elderly Low-Cost Drug Program and the Household Tax and Rent Refund Act.

5 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as 6 follows:

**36 MRSA §6209, sub-**§1, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 516, §§3 and 6, is amended to read:

1. Elderly households. Beginning March 1, 1989,

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and annually thereafter, the State Tax Assessor shall determine the household income eligibility adjustment 1 2 factor based on the most recent consumer price index 3 4 as compiled by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics. That factor shall be multiplied by the income limitations in section 6206, applicable for the year prior to that for which relief 5 6 7 requested. The result shall be rounded to the 8 is 9 nearest \$100 and shall apply to the year for which relief is requested corresponding to the year on which 10 11 the annualized cost-of-living adjustments were based.

## STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill requires that the adjustment factor in determining eligibility for the Elderly Low-Cost Drug Program and the Household Tax and Rent Refund Act be based on the consumer price index.

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