

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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S.P. 554

In Senate, May 9, 1989

Reference to the Committee on Taxation suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading 'Joy J. O'Brien'.

JOY J. O'BRIEN
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator BALDACCI of Penobscot.

STATE OF MAINE

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

An Act to Increase the Household Income Limits Used in Determining Eligibility for the Household Tax and Rent Refund Program and for the Low Cost Drug Program.



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

3 **36 MRSA §6206, sub-§§1 and 2**, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 516,
5 §§3 and 6, are amended to read:

7 **1. Single-member elderly households.** For single-member
elderly households, the benefit shall be calculated as follows:

| 9 | If household income | The benefit equals: |
|----|---|--|
| 11 | equals: \$ 0 to \$6,800 <u>\$8,655</u> | 100% of the benefit base up to a maximum of \$400 |
| 13 | \$6,801 to \$7,000 <u>\$8,655 to \$8,855</u> | 75% of the benefit base up to a maximum of \$300 |
| 15 | | |
| 17 | \$7,001 to \$7,200 <u>\$8,856 to \$9,055</u> | 50% of the benefit base up to a maximum of \$200 |
| 19 | | |
| 21 | \$7,201 to \$7,400 <u>\$9,056 to \$9,255</u> | 25% of the benefit base up to a maximum of \$100 |

23 **2. Elderly households with 2 or more members.** For elderly
households with 2 or more members, the benefit shall be
25 calculated as follows:

| 27 | If household income | The benefit equals: |
|----|---|--|
| 29 | equals: \$ 0 to \$8,100 <u>\$11,595</u> | 100% of the benefit base up to a maximum of \$400 |
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| 33 | \$8,101 to \$8,500 <u>\$11,596 to \$11,795</u> | 75% of the benefit base up to a maximum of \$300 |
| 35 | | |
| 37 | \$8,501 to \$8,800 <u>\$11,796 to \$11,995</u> | 50% of the benefit base up to a maximum of \$200 |
| 39 | | |
| 41 | \$8,801 to \$9,200 <u>\$11,996 to \$12,195</u> | 25% of the benefit base up to a maximum of \$100 |

43 **STATEMENT OF FACT**

45 This bill increases the household limits used in determining
eligibility for the Maine household tax and rent refund program.
47 These limits also apply under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title
36, section 6162-A to eligibility for the Maine elderly low-cost
49 drug program.