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# 115th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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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 HOLT of Bath.

Cosponsored by Senator CONLEY of Cumberland, Representative SMALL of Bath and Representative KILKELLY of Wiscasset.

### STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY-TWO

An Act to Amend the Eligibility Requirements for the Maine Residents Property Tax Program.



	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
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	Sec. 1. 36 MRSA §6206, sub-§4 is enacted to read:
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	4. Adjustment in the calculation of income. A claimant
б	representing an elderly household qualifies for the benefits
_	described in subsections 1 and 2, if:
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_	A. The household income is up to 25% greater than the
.0	corresponding household income limits in subsections 1 and
	2; and
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4	B. At least 40% of the household income is spent on health
.4	care expenses, including, but not limited to, health
. 6	insurances, medical services and medications.
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. 8.	The amount of benefits for which the claimant qualifies must be based on the household income excluding the percentage of income
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	STATEMENT OF FACT
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	This bill expands the eligibility requirements of the Maine
:6	Residents Property Tax Program and the elderly low cost drug
	program to include members of households in which the household
8	income is up to 25% greater than currently allowed by law but 40°
	or more of the household income is spent on health care.