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**STATE OF MAINE  
SENATE  
119TH LEGISLATURE  
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

SENATE AMENDMENT " A " to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 228, L.D. 332, Bill, "An Act to Increase the Availability of Prescription Drugs for the State's Elderly"

Amend the amendment by striking out everything after the title and before the summary and inserting in its place the following:

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**Sec. 1. Rulemaking.** The Department of Administrative and Financial Services, Bureau of Revenue Services shall adopt rules for the elderly low-cost drug program to allow consideration of an applicant's change in income from the previous year when the applicant has documentation of a substantial change in circumstances that alters the applicant's income by more than 10%. Rules adopted pursuant to this section are routine technical rules as defined in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter II-A.

**Sec. 2. Retroactivity.** This Act applies retroactively to persons applying for participation in the elderly low-cost drug program on or after August 1, 1999.' '

**FISCAL NOTE**

This amendment replaces the bill. As amended, this bill will increase the number of persons eligible for and the costs of the Elderly Low-cost Drug Program by undetermined amounts. Future requests for General Fund appropriations may be required by the program.

**SENATE AMENDMENT**

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SENATE AMENDMENT " A " to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 228,  
L.D. 332

**SUMMARY**

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This amendment replaces the bill and directs the Department of Administrative and Financial Services, Bureau of Revenue Services to adopt rules for the elderly low-cost drug program to allow consideration of an applicant's change in income from the previous year when the applicant has documentation of a substantial change in circumstances that alters the applicant's income by more than 10%.

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**SENATE AMENDMENT**