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House of Representatives, February 9, 2009

An Act To Promote Property Tax Relief for Maine's Senior Citizens

Reference to the Committee on Taxation suggested and ordered printed.

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Clerk

Presented by Representative SHAW of Standish.
Cosponsored by Senator DIAMOND of Cumberland and
Representatives: AUSTIN of Gray, BRIGGS of Mexico, CLARK of Millinocket, GILES of
Belfast, HUNT of Buxton, KNIGHT of Livermore Falls, SARTY of Denmark, WELSH of
Rockport.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 36 MRSA §6201, sub-§7,** as enacted by PL 1987, c. 516, §§3 and 6, is
3 amended to read:

4 **7. Household income.** "Household income" For households in which all members
5 are 65 years of age or older, "household income" means the total federal adjusted gross
6 income of all persons of the household. For all other households, "household income"
7 means all income received by all persons of a household in a calendar year while
8 members of the household.

9 **SUMMARY**

10 This bill provides that income eligibility for benefits under the Circuitbreaker
11 Program for households in which all members are 65 years of age or older must be
12 determined using federal adjusted gross income rather than the definition of income that
13 will continue to apply to other households.