

Senate Finance Committee -

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BILL SUMMARY

Legislation: Senate Bill 1009, P.N. 1273

Sponsor: Senator Washington
Act Amended: State Lottery Law
Date: December 3, 2013

Synopsis

Senate Bill 1009 amends the State Lottery Law to extend the current moratorium of including Social Security cost-of-living-adjustment (COLA) in the definition of "income" for purposes of PACE/PACENET eligibility and exempts Medicare Part B premium payments from being counted as "income" under PACE/PACENET program requirements.

Bill Summary

Senate Bill 1009 extends the current moratorium so that individuals enrolled in PACE/PACENET program shall remain eligible for PACE/PACENET if the maximum income limit is exceeded due solely to a Social Security COLA. Additionally, the bill extends the dates of enrollment for the PACE and PACENET programs from December 31, 2010 to December 31, 2012.

The bill also amends the definition of "income" to exclude Medicare Part B premiums.

Effective date: Immediately

Current Law

Senate Bill 1009 amends Sections 502 and 503 of Act 91 of 1971, known as the State Lottery Law. A moratorium on Social Security COLA's was enacted through Act 21 of 2011 and applied to individuals who are eligible for PACE and PACENET as of 12/31/10. The moratorium is set to expire on 12/31/13.