

vote supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved May 4, 1976.

CHAPTER 313

(Senate Bill 605)

AN ACT concerning

Public Assistance - Consumer Price Index Adjustments

FOR the purpose of adjusting [[annually]] for a certain period of time the amount of certain public assistance payments in accordance with the annual change in the consumer price index and providing for the manner of making the adjustments.

BY adding to

Article 88A - Social Services Administration
Section 17C
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1969 Replacement Volume and 1975 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That new Section 17C be and it is hereby added to Article 88A - Social Services Administration, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1969 Replacement Volume and 1975 Supplement) to read as follows:

Article 88A - Social Services Administration

17C.

(A) FOR THE PURPOSE OF THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING TERMS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED:

(1) "CONTINUING GRANTS" MEANS PAYMENTS MADE TO NEEDY INDIVIDUALS ON A PERIODIC BASIS UNDER [[PROGRAMS]] THE PROGRAM OF AID TO FAMILIES WITH DEPENDENT CHILDREN, [[INCLUDING]] EXCLUDING PROGRAMS OF AID TO FAMILIES WITH DEPENDENT CHILDREN FOR EMPLOYABLES AND GENERAL PUBLIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS~~[[, INCLUDING PROGRAMS OF GENERAL PUBLIC ASSISTANCE FOR EMPLOYABLES]]~~.

(2) "CONSUMER PRICE INDEX" MEANS THE AVERAGE ANNUAL CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (ALL ITEMS - UNITED STATES CITY AVERAGE) AS PUBLISHED BY THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS.