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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

AN ACT

To repeal section 208.030, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to the supplemental nursing care program.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Section 208.030, RSMo, is repealed and one new section 2 enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 208.030, to read as follows:

208.030. 1. The division of family services shall make monthly payments 2 to each person who was a recipient of old age assistance, aid to the permanently 3 and totally disabled, and aid to the blind and who:

- 4 (1) Received such assistance payments from the state of Missouri for the 5 month of December, 1973, to which they were legally entitled; and
- 6 (2) Is a resident of Missouri.
- 2. The amount of supplemental payment made to persons who meet the 7 eligibility requirements for and receive federal supplemental security income payments shall be in an amount, as established by rule and regulation of the 10 division of family services, sufficient to, when added to all other income, equal the amount of cash income received in December, 1973; except, in establishing the 11 12 amount of the supplemental payments, there shall be disregarded cost-of-living increases provided for in Titles II and XVI of the federal Social Security Act and 13 14 any benefits or income required to be disregarded by an act of Congress of the United States or any regulation duly promulgated thereunder. As long as the 15 16 recipient continues to receive a supplemental security income payment, the supplemental payment shall not be reduced. The minimum supplemental 17 payment for those persons who continue to meet the December, 1973, eligibility

standards for aid to the blind shall be in an amount which, when added to the

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federal supplemental security income payment, equals the amount of the blind pension grant as provided for in chapter 209, RSMo.

- 3. The amount of supplemental payment made to persons who do not meet the eligibility requirements for federal supplemental security income benefits, but who do meet the December, 1973, eligibility standards for old age assistance, permanent and total disability and aid to the blind or less restrictive requirements as established by rule or regulation of the division of family services, shall be in an amount established by rule and regulation of the division of family services sufficient to, when added to all other income, equal the amount of cash income received in December, 1973; except, in establishing the amount of the supplemental payment, there shall be disregarded cost-of-living increases provided for in Titles II and XVI of the federal Social Security Act and any other benefits or income required to be disregarded by an act of Congress of the United States or any regulation duly promulgated thereunder. The minimum supplemental payments for those persons who continue to meet the December, 1973, eligibility standards for aid to the blind shall be a blind pension payment as prescribed in chapter 209, RSMo.
- 4. The division of family services shall make monthly payments to persons meeting the eligibility standards for the aid to the blind program in effect December 31, 1973, who are bona fide residents of the state of Missouri. The payment shall be in the amount prescribed in subsection 1 of section 209.040, RSMo, less any federal supplemental security income payment.
- 5. The division of family services shall make monthly payments to persons age twenty-one or over who meet the eligibility requirements in effect on December 31, 1973, or less restrictive requirements as established by rule or regulation of the division of family services, who were receiving old age assistance, permanent and total disability assistance, general relief assistance, or aid to the blind assistance lawfully, who are not eligible for nursing home care under the Title XIX program, and who reside in a licensed residential care facility, a licensed assisted living facility, a licensed intermediate care facility or a licensed skilled nursing facility in Missouri and whose total cash income is not sufficient to pay the amount charged by the facility; and to all applicants age twenty-one or over who are not eligible for nursing home care under the Title XIX program who are residing in a licensed residential care facility, a licensed assisted living facility, a licensed intermediate care facility or a licensed skilled nursing facility in Missouri, who make application after December 31, 1973,

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56 provided they meet the eligibility standards for old age assistance, permanent 57 and total disability assistance, general relief assistance, or aid to the blind assistance in effect on December 31, 1973, or less restrictive requirements as 58 59 established by rule or regulation of the division of family services, who are bona fide residents of the state of Missouri, and whose total cash income is not 60 61 sufficient to pay the amount charged by the facility. Until July 1, 1983, the 62 amount of the total state payment for home care in licensed residential care facilities shall not exceed one hundred twenty dollars monthly, for care in 63 licensed intermediate care facilities or licensed skilled nursing facilities shall not 64 exceed three hundred dollars monthly, and for care in licensed assisted living 65 facilities shall not exceed two hundred twenty-five dollars monthly. Beginning 66 July 1, 1983, for fiscal year 1983-1984 and each year thereafter, the amount of 67 the total state payment for home care in licensed residential care facilities shall 68 69 not exceed one hundred fifty-six dollars monthly, for care in licensed intermediate care facilities or licensed skilled nursing facilities shall not exceed three hundred 70 ninety dollars monthly, and for care in licensed assisted living facilities shall not 71 72exceed two hundred ninety-two dollars and fifty cents monthly. No intermediate care or skilled nursing payment shall be made to a person residing in a licensed 73 intermediate care facility or in a licensed skilled nursing facility unless such 7475person has been determined, by his own physician or doctor, to medically need 76 such services subject to review and approval by the department. Residential care 77 payments may be made to persons residing in licensed intermediate care facilities 78 or licensed skilled nursing facilities. Any person eligible to receive a monthly payment pursuant to this subsection shall receive an additional monthly payment 79 of not more than [twenty-five dollars] the Medicaid vendor nursing facility 80 personal needs allowance. The exact amount of the additional payment shall 81 be determined by rule of the department. This additional payment shall not be 82 used to pay for any supplies or services, or for any other items that would have 83 been paid for by the division of family services if that person would have been 84 receiving medical assistance benefits under Title XIX of the federal Social 85 Security Act for nursing home services pursuant to the provisions of section 86 87 208.159. Notwithstanding the previous part of this subsection, the person eligible shall not receive this additional payment if such eligible person is receiving funds 88 89 for personal expenses from some other state or federal program.

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