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EMERGENCY BILL

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By: **Delegates Shriver and Hurson**  
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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2                           **Developmental Disabilities Administration - Supplemental Security**  
3                           **Income - Cost-of-Living Increase**

4 FOR the purpose of prohibiting the Developmental Disabilities Administration from  
5 retaining cost-of-living increases in the Supplemental Security Income of  
6 individuals receiving residential or day program services provided by the  
7 Administration for a developmental disability; requiring the Administration to  
8 add the cost-of-living increase to the individual's personal needs allowance;  
9 defining a certain term; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally  
10 relating to the Developmental Disabilities Administration and the  
11 Supplemental Security Income increases received by individuals with  
12 developmental disabilities.

13 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
14 Article - Health - General  
15 Section 7-101(a) and (b)  
16 Annotated Code of Maryland  
17 (2000 Replacement Volume and 2001 Supplement)

18 BY adding to  
19 Article - Health - General  
20 Section 7-1012  
21 Annotated Code of Maryland  
22 (2000 Replacement Volume and 2001 Supplement)

23 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
24 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

25                           **Article - Health - General**

26 7-101.

27 (a) In this title the following words have the meanings indicated.

28 (b) "Administration" means the Developmental Disabilities Administration.

1 7-1012.

2 (A) IN THIS SECTION, "PERSONAL NEEDS ALLOWANCE" MEANS THE AMOUNT  
3 PER MONTH THAT A PROVIDER MUST ALLOW AN INDIVIDUAL TO RETAIN FROM  
4 THEIR MONTHLY INCOME FOR PERSONAL NEEDS.

5 (B) IF AN INDIVIDUAL RECEIVING RESIDENTIAL OR DAY PROGRAM SERVICES  
6 FOR A DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY RECEIVES A COST-OF-LIVING INCREASE TO  
7 THE INDIVIDUAL'S SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME, THE ADMINISTRATION MAY  
8 NOT RETAIN THE COST-OF-LIVING INCREASE TO OFFSET THE COST OF SERVICES  
9 BUT SHALL ADD IT TO THE INDIVIDUAL'S PERSONAL NEED ALLOWANCE.

10 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act is an  
11 emergency measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health  
12 or safety, has been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the  
13 members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, and shall take  
14 effect from the date it is enacted.