

1 AN ACT concerning public aid.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Illinois Public Aid Code is amended by
5 adding Section 12-4.13a as follows:

6 (305 ILCS 5/12-4.13a new)

7 Sec. 12-4.13a. Gross income eligibility standard; SNAP.
8 Subject to federal approval if required, a household that
9 includes an elderly, blind, or disabled person shall be
10 considered categorically eligible for Supplemental Nutrition
11 Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits if the gross income of such
12 household is at or below 200% of the nonfarm income poverty
13 guidelines updated periodically in the Federal Register by the
14 U.S. Department of Health and Human Services under the
15 authority of 42 U.S.C. 9902(2); and a household that does not
16 include an elderly, blind, or disabled person shall be
17 considered categorically eligible for Supplemental Nutrition
18 Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits if the gross income of such
19 household is at or below 165% of those nonfarm income poverty
20 guidelines.

21 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect January
22 1, 2016.