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2 Introduced by Representative Jerman of Essex

3 Referred to Committee on

4 Date:

5 Subject: Taxation; statewide education property tax; income sensitivity;  
6 household income; definition

7 Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to make several  
8 changes to the definition of household income used for calculating income  
9 sensitivity adjustments.

10 An act relating to the definition of household income

11 It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

12 Sec. 1. 32 V.S.A. § 6061(5)(B) is amended to read:

13 (B) with the addition of the following, to the extent not included in  
14 adjusted gross income: alimony; payments, household support money other  
15 than gifts, gifts received by the household in excess of a total of \$6,500.00 in  
16 cash or cash-equivalents, cash public assistance and relief (not including relief  
17 granted under this subchapter), cost of living allowances ~~paid to federal~~  
18 ~~employees~~, allowances received by dependents of ~~servicemen and women, the~~  
19 ~~portion of Roth IRA~~ members of the military services, distributions  
20 ~~representing investment earnings and not included in adjusted gross income~~

1 from IRAs that are realized by the household, railroad retirement benefits,  
2 pension benefits, payments received under the federal Social Security Act, all  
3 benefits under Veterans' Acts, ~~federal pension, and annuity benefits not~~  
4 ~~included in adjusted gross income~~; nontaxable interest received ~~from the state~~  
5 ~~or federal government or any of its instrumentalities~~, workers' compensation,  
6 the gross amount of "loss of time" insurance, and the amount of capital gains  
7 excluded from adjusted gross income, less the net employment and  
8 self-employment taxes withheld from or paid by the individual (exclusive of  
9 any amounts deducted to arrive at adjusted gross income or deducted on  
10 account of excess payment of employment taxes) on account of income  
11 included under this section, less any amounts paid as child support money if  
12 substantiated by receipts or other evidence that the Commissioner may require;

13 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

14 This act shall take effect on July 1, 2015, and apply to claims filed in 2016  
15 and after.