



General Assembly

February Session, 2006

**Proposed Bill No. 9**

LCO No. 70

Referred to Committee on Human Services

Introduced by:

SEN. DEFRONZO, 6th Dist.

**AN ACT CONCERNING ELIGIBILITY FOR THE CONNPACE PROGRAM.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 That section 17b-492 of the 2006 supplement to the general statutes  
2 be amended to permit: (1) Married individuals with a combined  
3 spousal income of twenty-eight thousand one hundred dollars or more  
4 but less than thirty thousand five hundred dollars, who are otherwise  
5 eligible to receive ConnPACE program benefits, to qualify for reduced  
6 ConnPACE program benefits in an amount equal to seventy-five per  
7 cent of the full program benefit; (2) married individuals with a  
8 combined spousal income of thirty thousand five hundred dollars or  
9 more but less than thirty-three thousand five hundred dollars, who are  
10 otherwise eligible to receive ConnPACE program benefits, to qualify  
11 for reduced ConnPACE program benefits in an amount equal to fifty  
12 per cent of the full program benefit; (3) unmarried individuals with an  
13 income of twenty thousand eight hundred dollars or more but less  
14 than twenty three thousand three hundred dollars, who are otherwise  
15 eligible to receive ConnPACE program benefits, to qualify for reduced  
16 ConnPACE program benefits in an amount equal to seventy-five per

17 cent of the full program benefit; and (4) unmarried individuals with an  
18 income of twenty-three thousand three hundred dollars or more but  
19 less than twenty-five thousand eight hundred dollars, who are  
20 otherwise eligible to receive ConnPACE program benefits, to qualify  
21 for reduced ConnPACE program benefits in an amount equal to fifty  
22 per cent of the full program benefit.

***Statement of Purpose:***

To increase enrollment in the ConnPACE program by allowing certain individuals who satisfy all program eligibility requirements, but whose income exceeds current eligibility standards, to qualify for graduated program benefits.