HOUSE No. 4011

Section 47 contained in the engrossed Bill making appropriations for the fiscal year 2022 for the maintenance of the departments, boards, commissions, institutions and certain activities of the Commonwealth, for interest, sinking fund and serial bond requirements and for certain permanent improvements (see House, No. 4002), which had been returned by His Excellency the Governor with recommendation of amendment (for message see Attachment K of House, No. 4019). July 22, 2021.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court (2021-2022)

An Act relative to eligibility for emergency assistance to elderly, disabled residents and children.

Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to establish forthwith new eligibility requirements for emergency assistance to elderly, disabled residents and children, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

- SECTION 1. Section 3 of chapter 117A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2018
- 2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the first paragraph the following
- 3 paragraph:-
- 4 A person shall not be denied assistance under this chapter based wholly or in part on the
- 5 amount of the person's assets; provided, however, that any income generated by such assets may
- 6 be treated as countable income.
- 7 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect as of July 1, 2021.