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- Introduced by M. of A. MAGNARELLI, SKOUFIS, TITONE, STIRPE, GOTTFRIED, COOK, MOSLEY, LUPARDO, SKARTADOS, STECK, BENEDETTO, HOOPER, PICHARDO, ARROYO, SCHIMMINGER, LINARES -- Multi-Sponsored by -- M. of A. BRAUN-STEIN, ENGLEBRIGHT, MAGEE, MARKEY, RIVERA, THIELE -- read once and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means -- recommitted to the Committee on Ways and Means in accordance with Assembly Rule 3, sec. 2 -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee -- again reported from said committee with amendments, ordered reprinted as amended and recommittee to said committee
- AN ACT to amend the tax law, in relation to increasing the exemption for pensions and annuities for certain persons

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 Section 1. Paragraph 3-a of subsection (c) of section 612 of the tax 2 law, as amended by section 3 of part I of chapter 59 of the laws of 3 2015, is amended to read as follows:

4 (3-a) Pensions and annuities received by an individual who has 5 attained the age of fifty-nine and one-half, not otherwise excluded pursuant to paragraph three of this subsection, to the extent includible 6 in gross income for federal income tax purposes, but not in excess of 7 TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR ANY TAXABLE YEAR BEGINNING ON 8 [twenty] 9 OR AFTER JANUARY FIRST, TWO THOUSAND SEVENTEEN, THIRTY THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR ANY TAXABLE YEAR BEGINNING ON OR AFTER JANUARY FIRST, TWO THOUSAND 10 EIGHTEEN, THIRTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR ANY TAXABLE YEAR BEGINNING ON 11 OR AFTER JANUARY FIRST, TWO THOUSAND NINETEEN, AND FORTY 12 thousand dollars IN EACH SUBSEQUENT YEAR, which are periodic payments attribut-13 able to personal services performed by such individual prior to his 14 15 retirement from employment, which arise (i) from an employer-employee 16 relationship or (ii) from contributions to a retirement plan which are 17 deductible for federal income tax purposes. However, the term "pensions

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets
[] is old law to be omitted.

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and annuities" shall also include distributions received by an individ-1 2 ual who has attained the age of fifty-nine and one-half from an individ-3 retirement account or an individual retirement annuity, as defined ual 4 in section four hundred eight of the internal revenue code, and distrib-5 utions received by an individual who has attained the age of fifty-nine 6 and one-half from self-employed individual and owner-employee retirement 7 plans which qualify under section four hundred one of the internal 8 revenue code, whether or not the payments are periodic in nature. Nevertheless, the term "pensions and annuities" shall not include any lump 9 10 sum distribution, as defined in subparagraph (D) of paragraph four of subsection (e) of section four hundred two of the internal revenue code 11 12 and taxed under section six hundred three of this article. Where a 13 joint state personal income tax return, the husband and wife file a 14 modification provided for in this paragraph shall be computed as if they 15 were filing separate state personal income tax returns. Where a payment would otherwise come within the meaning of the term "pensions and annui-16 17 ties" as set forth in this paragraph, except that such individual is 18 deceased, such payment shall, nevertheless, be treated as a pension or 19 annuity for purposes of this paragraph if such payment is received by 20 such individual's beneficiary.

21 S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.