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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

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:

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

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(3-a) Pensions and annuities received by an individual who has attained the age of fifty-nine and one-half, not otherwise excluded pursuant to paragraph three of this subsection, to the extent includible in gross income for federal income tax purposes, but not [twenty] TWENTY-SEVEN THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR ANY TAXABLE YEAR BEGINNING ON TWO THOUSAND SIXTEEN, THIRTY-FOUR THOUSAND AFTER JANUARY FIRST, DOLLARS FOR ANY TAXABLE YEAR BEGINNING ON OR AFTER JANUARY FIRST, THOUSAND SEVENTEEN, AND FORTY thousand dollars IN EACH SUBSEQUENT YEAR, which are periodic payments attributable to personal services performed by such individual prior to his retirement from employment, which arise (i) from an employer-employee relationship or (ii) from contributions to a retirement plan which are deductible for federal income tax purposes. the term "pensions and annuities" shall also include distributions received by an individual who has attained the age of fifty-nine and one-half from an individual retirement account or an individual

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

retirement annuity, as defined in section four hundred eight of the

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internal revenue code, and distributions received by an individual who has attained the age of fifty-nine and one-half from self-employed individual and owner-employee retirement plans which qualify under section four hundred one of the internal revenue code, whether or not the 5 payments are periodic in nature. Nevertheless, the term "pensions annuities" shall not include any lump sum distribution, as defined in 6 7 subparagraph (D) of paragraph four of subsection (e) of section four 8 hundred two of the internal revenue code and taxed under section six hundred three of this article. Where a husband and wife file a joint 9 10 state personal income tax return, the modification provided for in this paragraph shall be computed as if they were filing separate state 11 personal income tax returns. Where a payment would otherwise come within 12 13 the meaning of the term "pensions and annuities" as set forth in this 14 paragraph, except that such individual is deceased, such payment 15 nevertheless, be treated as a pension or annuity for purposes of this paragraph if such payment is received by such individual's beneficiary. 16 S 2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall be deemed to 17 have been in full force and effect on and after the first of January of 18 19 the year in which it shall have become a law.