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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  
6     pursuant to paragraph three of this subsection, to the extent includible  
7     in gross income for federal income tax purposes, but not in excess of  
8     [twenty] TWENTY-SEVEN THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR ANY TAXABLE YEAR BEGINNING ON  
9     OR AFTER JANUARY FIRST, TWO THOUSAND SIXTEEN, THIRTY-FOUR THOUSAND  
10    DOLLARS FOR ANY TAXABLE YEAR BEGINNING ON OR AFTER JANUARY FIRST, TWO  
11    THOUSAND SEVENTEEN, AND FORTY thousand dollars IN EACH SUBSEQUENT YEAR,  
12    which are periodic payments attributable to personal services performed  
13    by such individual prior to his retirement from employment, which arise  
14    (i) from an employer-employee relationship or (ii) from contributions to  
15    a retirement plan which are deductible for federal income tax purposes.  
16    However, the term "pensions and annuities" shall also include distrib-  
17    utions received by an individual who has attained the age of fifty-nine  
18    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.

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

18 S 2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall be deemed to  
19 have been in full force and effect on and after the first of January of  
20 the year in which it shall have become a law.