

ASSEMBLY CONCURRENT RESOLUTION No. 27

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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and Dalton

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION memorializing the President and Congress of  
2 the United States to enact legislation to help correct certain inequities  
3 among beneficiaries of the Social Security program.

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5 WHEREAS, In 1977, Congress passed amendments to the Social Security Act  
6 which altered the benefit formula in order to protect the financial solvency  
7 of the Social Security system; and

8 WHEREAS, The unanticipated consequence of these amendments was the  
9 creation of a benefit notch that affects the millions of Americans born  
10 between 1917 and 1921; and

11 WHEREAS, As a result of the benefit notch, these senior citizens receive benefit  
12 checks that are smaller than those for persons born before 1917, which  
13 creates an inequity in the benefits structure of the Social Security system;  
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15 WHEREAS, While it may not be possible to completely eliminate the benefit  
16 notch given the financial constraints of the Social Security system, it is  
17 possible to enact legislation which would address the current inequity so as  
18 to balance benefit fairness and fiscal responsibility; now, therefore,

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20 BE IT RESOLVED by the General Assembly of the State of New Jersey  
21 (the Senate concurring):

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23 1. The President and Congress of the United States are respectfully  
24 memorialized to expeditiously enact legislation which would provide a fiscally  
25 sound and equitable solution for the so-called Social Security "notch" problem.

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27 2. A duly authenticated copy of this concurrent resolution, signed by the  
28 Speaker of the General Assembly and attested by the Clerk of the General  
29 Assembly and signed by the President of the Senate and attested by the  
30 Secretary of the Senate, shall be transmitted to the President of the United  
31 States, the presiding officers of the United

1 States Senate and House of Representatives, and to every member of  
2 Congress elected from the State of New Jersey.

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7 Memorializes President and Congress to enact legislation to correct Social

8 Security "notch" problem.