

1 IN THE HOUSE

BY MR. SHELDON

2 HOUSE BILL NO. 421

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FIRST LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to old age assistance;
7 increasing the maximum assistance benefit;
8 amending Sec. 51-2-51, ACLA 1949 as amended
9 by Ch. 33, SLA 1949, Ch. 49, SLA 1951, Ch.
10 101, SLA 1953, and Ch. 110, SLA 1959."

11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

12 Section 1. Sec. 51-2-51, ACLA 1949 as amended by Ch. 33,
13 SLA 1949, Ch. 49, SLA 1951, Ch. 101, SLA 1953 and Ch. 110, SLA
14 1959 is hereby amended to read as follows:

15 Sec. 51-2-51. PERSONS ENTITLED TO ASSISTANCE: LIMITA-
16 TION OF AMOUNT. Financial assistance shall be given under
17 this Act, so far as practicable under the conditions in this
18 state, to any aged, needy resident of the state who has
19 resided therein for five years during the nine years imme-
20 diately preceding the date of application, who has attained
21 the age of 65 years, and who has not made a voluntary assign-
22 ment or transfer of property for the purpose of qualifying
23 for such assistance. Assistance granted shall be in such
24 amount as will provide the applicant with a reasonable
25 subsistence compatible with decency and health, but shall in
26 no case exceed the rate of \$125.00 [\$100.00] per calendar
27 month.

28 No payment under the provisions of this Act may be made
29 to or in behalf of any individual who is a resident of the

1 Alaska Pioneers' Home or any other public institution
2 (except as a patient in a public medical institution) or
3 any individual (a) who is a patient in an institution (either
4 public or private) for tuberculosis or mental diseases, or
5 (b) who has been diagnosed as having tuberculosis or
6 psychosis and is a patient in a medical institution as a
7 result thereof.

8 Any resident of the Alaska Pioneers' Home or other ins-
9 titution may at any time he wishes to leave the institution
10 make application for assistance under this program in lieu
11 of the support and maintenance provided in such Home or
12 institution.