

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, any official position of the City of Los Angeles, with respect to legislation, rules, regulations or policies proposed to or pending before a local, state, or federal governmental body or agency must have first been adopted in the form of a Resolution by the City Council with the concurrence of the Mayor; and

WHEREAS, AB 3200 (Kalra – Reyes – Thurmond), introduced on February 16, 2018, would reinstate cost-of-living adjustments to State social service aid payments; and

WHEREAS, the Supplemental Security Income (SSI) and State Supplementary Payment (SSP) provide a monthly cash benefit to eligible low-income individuals and married couples who are aged 65 years or older, blind, or living with disabilities, and who meet certain federal income and resource requirements; and

WHEREAS, individuals and couples who are eligible to receive SSI from the federal government are automatically eligible to receive SSP from the State; and


WHEREAS, since 2011, the SSP has not increased at a rate commensurate with the increasing cost of living in California; and

WHEREAS, the present maximum grant level for individuals receiving SSI/SSP grants is below the Federal Poverty Level, an amount that is inadequate for the high cost of living in many areas of California; and

WHEREAS, there are over 200,000 SSI/SSP recipients over the age of 65 living in Los Angeles County;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, with the concurrence of the Mayor, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes into its 2017-2018 State Legislative Program SUPPORT for AB 3200 (Kalra – Reyes – Thurmond), which would reinstate cost-of-living adjustments, as measured by the California Necessities Index, to the Supplemental Security Income and State Supplementary Payment (SSI/SSP) payment schedules, and require that the maximum payments for SSI/SSP aid payment be equal to or above the Federal Poverty Level.

PRESENTED BY:

  
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Councilmember, 4<sup>th</sup> District

SECONDED BY:



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