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H. R. 208

To extend the supplemental security income program to Guam.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. SAN NICOLAS introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on Ways and Means

A BILL

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Guam.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Guam Supplemental
5 Security Income Equality Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. EXTENSION OF THE SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY IN-**
7 **COME PROGRAM TO GUAM.**

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 303(b) of the Social Secu-
9 rity Amendments of 1972 (86 Stat. 1484) is amended by
10 striking “, Guam,”.

11 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

1 (1) DEFINITION OF STATE.—Section
2 1101(a)(1) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.
3 1301(a)(1)) is amended in the 5th sentence by strik-
4 ing “, the Virgin Islands, and Guam” each place it
5 appears and inserting “and the Virgin Islands”.

6 (2) GUAM INCLUDED IN GEOGRAPHIC MEANING
7 OF UNITED STATES.—Section 1614(e) of such Act
8 (42 U.S.C. 1382c(e)) is amended by striking “and
9 the District of Columbia” and inserting “, the Dis-
10 trict of Columbia, and Guam”.

11 (c) WAIVER AUTHORITY.—The Commissioner of So-
12 cial Security may waive or modify any statutory require-
13 ment relating to the provision of benefits under the Sup-
14 plemental Security Income Program under title XVI of the
15 Social Security Act in Guam, to the extent that the Com-
16 missioner deems it necessary in order to adapt the pro-
17 gram to the needs of Guam.

18 (d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section and the amend-
19 ments made by this section shall take effect on the 1st
20 day of the 1st Federal fiscal year that begins 1 year or
21 more after the date of the enactment of this Act.

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