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EXPANSION OF SSI RENTAL SUBSIDY

In the last issue, we covered changes to the way that food assistance would be valued for In-Kind Support and Maintenance (ISM) calculations effective on September 30th, 2024. On the same date, the Social Security Administration will also expand its rental assistance policy, currently only effective in seven states, nationwide. Under this rule:

- An SSI recipient or applicant can enter into a “business arrangement” when living with others if the recipient/applicant pays rent that meets or exceeds the Presumed Maximum Value (PMV) amount for the given year.
- In 2024, the PMV is \$334.33 for an individual, \$491.66 for a disabled couple.
- If an individual or couple pays a monthly rent that meets or exceeds the PMV, they will not be subject to deductions of their SSI benefits for ISM.

For more information, please visit: [Federal Register :: Expansion of the Rental Subsidy Policy for Supplemental Security Income \(SSI\) Applicants and Recipients](#)

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ADMINISTRATIVE WAIVER POLICY CHANGES

Social Security has recently amended its policy on administrative waiver of overpayments increasing the amount from \$1000 to \$2000. If the total amount of the overpayment (not the amount owed) is \$2000 or less, SSA will waive the overpayment at the request of the beneficiary or their payee, providing that there is no indication of fraud or fault in causing the overpayment by the beneficiary or payee. The waiver must be requested by the beneficiary or their payee either verbally or in writing. The full waiver form (SSA 632) is not required for administrative waiver requests.

For more information on administrative waiver updates, please visit: [SSA-POMS: GN 02210. 220 – request for waiver – \\$2000 tolerance – debt contact representative.\(DCR\)/Debt Specialist \(DS\) Actions-5-09-24](#)

CONTACTING YOUR CONGRESSIONAL REPRESENTATIVES

NABWIS urges our members to continue to contact your representatives in Congress in support of the SSI Restoration Act bill. The bill would eliminate the marriage penalty and increase SSI federal benefits amounts and resource limits for SSI beneficiaries. To view the bill, visit: [TEXT - H.R. 3824 – 117th Congress. \(2021 – 2022\): Supplemental Security Income Restoration Act of 2021| Congress.gov| Library of Congress](#)

A Message from the NABWIS Board

The NABWIS newsletter is geared toward keeping our members apprised on updates pertaining to federal Social Security benefits, legislative changes, and ways you can partner with the NABWIS board to help inspire change for the individuals we serve. This is YOUR newsletter. If you have comments or suggestions on content in future issues, please email contact@nabwis.org.



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