

GENERAL ASSEMBLY'S "50 PERCENT BUDGET"

*CREATES \$9.2 BILLION FUNDING GAP,
FORCES MASSIVE CUTS IN FUNDAMENTAL STATE SERVICES*

DEPARTMENT ON AGING

To close the General Assembly's budget gap, the Department on Aging must cut community-provided services and grants to Illinois seniors by \$388 million. These cuts include:

- Eliminating all community care program services for 20,000 lower-income seniors who are not eligible for Medicaid and reducing benefits to 55 percent for the remaining 35,000 Medicaid-eligible community care clients - **\$315 million**
- Reducing case management service for 55,000 frail seniors - **\$18 million**
- Cutting Circuit Breaker grants by 50 percent, which provide property tax relief for 238,000 low-income seniors and people with disabilities - **\$24 million**

Cutting these programs will affect almost 300,000 seniors and people with disabilities throughout Illinois.