Chapter 247

(House Bill 1206)

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore City - Orphans' Court Judges - Salary and Pension

FOR the purpose of altering the salary of each associate judge of the Orphans' Court of Baltimore City and the annual salary of the Chief Judge of the Orphans' Court of Baltimore City; altering the pension of certain associate judges of the Orphans' Court of Baltimore City and the pension of a Chief Judge of the Orphans' Court of Baltimore City; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the Orphans' Court of Baltimore City.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments, Article – Estates and Trusts Section 2–108(d)(1) Annotated Code of Maryland (2011 Replacement Volume and 2013 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article – Estates and Trusts

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(d) (1) (i) Each associate judge of the Court of Baltimore City shall receive an annual compensation of [\$62,500] **\$74,000**, and the Chief Judge shall receive an annual compensation of [\$72,500] **\$84,500**.

(ii) Each associate judge who was in active service on or after January 1, 1984 shall be paid after the termination of active service, if he is then at least 60 years of age or when he shall attain 60 years of age, a pension or salary calculated at the rate of [\$3,125] **\$3,725** annually for each year, or a part of a year, of active service; but the maximum pension or salary for the service by an associate judge may not exceed [\$31,250] **\$37,250** annually.

(iii) Each Chief Judge who was in active service on or after January 1, 1984, shall be paid, after the termination of active service, if he is then at least 60 years of age or when he shall attain 60 years of age, a pension or salary calculated at the rate of [\$3,625] **\$4,225** annually for each year, or a part of a year of active service; but the maximum pension or salary for the service by a Chief Judge may not exceed [\$36,250] **\$42,250** annually. The pension or salary shall be paid by

the City of Baltimore in the same manner as the salaries of the judges of the Court for the City are paid.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, pursuant to Article III, § 35 of the Maryland Constitution, this Act may not be construed to extend or apply to the salary or compensation of an associate judge or the Chief Judge of the Orphans' Court of Baltimore City while serving in a term of office beginning before the effective date of this Act, but the provisions of this Act concerning the salary or compensation of an associate judge or the Chief Judge or the Chief Judge of the orphans' Court of Baltimore City shall take effect at the beginning of the next following term of office. This limitation does not apply to an individual appointed or elected after the effective date of this Act to fill out an unexpired term.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2014.

Approved by the Governor, April 14, 2014.