(House Bill 9)

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore County – Orphans' Court Judges – Compensation

FOR the purpose of repealing provisions of law that establish the annual compensation of the judges of the Orphans' Court for Baltimore County; requiring the annual compensation of the judges of the Orphans' Court for Baltimore County to be as set by the County Executive and the County Council in accordance with certain provisions of the Baltimore County Code; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the compensation of the judges of the Orphans' Court for Baltimore County.

BY repealing

Article – Estates and Trusts Section 2–108(e) Annotated Code of Maryland (2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Estates and Trusts Section 2–108(e) Annotated Code of Maryland (2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 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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[(e) (1) Each associate judge of the Court for Baltimore County shall receive an annual compensation of \$43,000 beginning July 1, 2014.

(2) The Chief Judge shall receive an annual compensation of \$45,000 beginning July 1, 2014.]

(E) EACH OF THE JUDGES OF THE COURT FOR BALTIMORE COUNTY SHALL RECEIVE AN ANNUAL COMPENSATION AS SET BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND THE COUNTY COUNCIL IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE 4 OF THE BALTIMORE COUNTY CODE. 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 the judges of the Orphans' Court for Baltimore County 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 the judges of the Orphans' Court for Baltimore County 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, 2016.

Approved by the Governor, April 26, 2016.