

SENATE BILL 173

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By: **Senator Hershey**

Introduced and read first time: January 15, 2018

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Kent County – Orphans’ Court Judges – Compensation**

3 FOR the purpose of establishing that a judge of the Orphans’ Court for Kent County shall
4 receive a salary set by the Kent County Commissioners; establishing that each judge
5 shall receive an allowance for travel expenses in accordance with the county budget;
6 requiring the County Commissioners to pay the travel allowance in a certain
7 manner; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the
8 Orphans’ Court for Kent County.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
10 Article – Estates and Trusts
11 Section 2–108(p)
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (2017 Replacement Volume)

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

16 **Article – Estates and Trusts**

17 2–108.

18 (p) **(1)** Each of the judges of the Court for Kent County shall receive [an annual
19 compensation of \$4,000. Each judge shall also receive an allowance for traveling expenses
20 of \$520 annually, to be paid quarterly by the County Commissioners] **A SALARY AS SET**
21 **BY THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.**

22 **(2) (I) EACH JUDGE SHALL RECEIVE AN ALLOWANCE FOR TRAVEL**
23 **EXPENSES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE COUNTY BUDGET.**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 **(II) THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS SHALL PAY QUARTERLY TO**
2 **EACH JUDGE THE TRAVEL ALLOWANCE PROVIDED IN SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS**
3 **PARAGRAPH.**

4 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, pursuant to Article III, § 35
5 of the Maryland Constitution, this Act may not be construed to extend or apply to the salary
6 or compensation of a judge of the Orphans' Court for Kent County while serving in a term
7 of office beginning before the effective date of this Act, but the provisions of this Act
8 concerning the salary or compensation of a judge of the Orphans' Court for Kent County
9 shall take effect at the beginning of the next following term of office. This limitation does
10 not apply to an individual appointed or elected after the effective date of this Act to fill out
11 an unexpired term.

12 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
13 October 1, 2018.