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CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Washington County - Orphans' Court - Compensation and Expense**  
3 **Allowances of Judges**

4 FOR the purpose of increasing the compensation for the judges of the Orphans' Court  
5 for Washington County; altering certain expense allowances for judges of the  
6 Orphans' Court for Washington County; providing that this Act does not apply to  
7 the salary or compensation of the incumbent judges of the judges of the  
8 Orphans' Court for Washington County; and generally relating to the  
9 compensation and expense allowances of the judges of the Orphans' Court for  
10 Washington County.

11 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
12 Article - Estates and Trusts  
13 Section 2-108(v)  
14 Annotated Code of Maryland  
15 (2001 Replacement Volume and 2001 Supplement)

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

18 **Article - Estates and Trusts**

19 2-108.

20 (v) (1) As compensation each of the judges of the Court for Washington  
21 County shall receive an annual compensation of not more than [\$6,000] \$7,000 per  
22 year.

1                   (2)     (i)       Each judge shall also receive an expense allowance, not to  
2 exceed \$1,000 per year, to be paid by the Board of County Commissioners upon  
3 presentation of an itemized voucher of legitimate expenses.

4                               (ii)       For purposes of subparagraph (i) of this paragraph, legitimate  
5 expenses include:

6   1.       Registration fees for business related seminars and  
7 conferences;

8   2.       \$10 per year for judge's association membership;

9   3.       Parking expenses incurred while on business related trips  
10 out of the county, upon presentation of a receipt from the parking facility indicating  
11 the amount;

12    4.       A gasoline expense, equal to the amount per mile paid  
13 other Washington County employees while traveling to business related activities  
14 held out of the county;

15    5.       A meal expense, not to exceed [\$18] \$30 per day, incurred  
16 while on business related trips out of the county;

17    6.       A room [and board] expense, not to exceed [\$50] \$85 per  
18 day, incurred while on business related activities held out of the county.

19       SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, pursuant to Article III,  
20 Section 35 of the Constitution of Maryland, this Act may not be construed to extend or  
21 apply to the salary or compensation of the judges of the Orphans' Court for  
22 Washington County in office on the effective date of this Act, but the provisions of this  
23 Act concerning the salary or compensation of the judges of the Orphans' Court for  
24 Washington County shall take effect at the beginning of the next following term of  
25 office.

26       SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
27 October 1, 2002.