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CHAPTER\_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Baltimore City - Orphans' Court Judges - Pensions**

3 FOR the purpose of increasing the annual retirement benefit payments to certain  
 4 judges of the Orphans' Court for Baltimore City; providing that this Act does not  
 5 apply to the salary or compensation of the incumbent judges of the Orphans'  
 6 Court for Baltimore City; and generally relating to the retirement benefit  
 7 payments to certain judges of the Orphans' Court for Baltimore City.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
 9 Article - Estates and Trusts  
 10 Section 2-108(d)(1)  
 11 Annotated Code of Maryland  
 12 (2001 Replacement Volume and 2005 Supplement)

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

15 **Article - Estates and Trusts**

16 2-108.

17 (d) (1) (i) Each associate judge of the Court of Baltimore City shall receive  
 18 an annual compensation of \$62,500, and the Chief Judge shall receive an annual  
 19 compensation of \$72,500.

20 (ii) Each associate judge who was in active service on or after  
 21 January 1, 1984 shall be paid after the termination of active service, if he is then at  
 22 least 60 years of age or when he shall attain 60 years of age, a pension or salary

1 calculated at the rate of [\$2,500] \$3,125 annually for each year, or a part of a year, of  
2 active service; but the maximum pension or salary for the service by an associate  
3 judge may not exceed [\$25,000] \$31,250 annually.

4 (iii) Each Chief Judge who was in active service on or after January  
5 1, 1984, shall be paid, after the termination of active service, if he is then at least 60  
6 years of age or when he shall attain 60 years of age, a pension or salary calculated at  
7 the rate of [\$3,000] \$3,625 annually for each year, or a part of a year of active service;  
8 but the maximum pension or salary for the service by a Chief Judge may not exceed  
9 [\$30,000] \$36,250 annually. The pension or salary shall be paid by the City of  
10 Baltimore in the same manner as the salaries of the judges of the Court for the City  
11 are paid.

12 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, pursuant to Article III, §  
13 35 of the Maryland Constitution, this Act may not be construed to extend or apply to  
14 the salary or compensation of the Chief Judge and associate judges of the Orphans'  
15 Court for Baltimore City in office on the effective date of this Act, but the provisions  
16 of this Act concerning the salary or compensation of the Chief Judge and associate  
17 judges of the Orphans' Court for Baltimore City shall take effect at the beginning of  
18 the next following term of office.

19 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
20 October 1, 2006.