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By: **Senator Colburn**

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Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Dorchester County - Orphans' Court - Compensation of Judges**

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

9 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
10 Article - Estates and Trusts  
11 Section 2-108(k)  
12 Annotated Code of Maryland  
13 (2001 Replacement Volume and 2005 Supplement)

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

16 **Article - Estates and Trusts**

17 2-108.

18 (k) Each of the judges of the Court for Dorchester County shall receive an  
19 annual salary in the amount of [\$3,500] \$4,700. Each judge shall also receive an  
20 EXPENSE allowance of [\$10] \$800 [for expenses for every day's attendance upon the  
21 sessions of the Court] ANNUALLY.

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

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