

CHAPTER 109.

AN ACT to provide for the retirement of the Honorable Henry Stockbridge, one of the Judges of the Court of Appeals of Maryland, he having become unable to discharge his duties with efficiency by reason of continued sickness.

WHEREAS, the Honorable Henry Stockbridge, after serving for a number of years as one of the Judges of the Supreme Bench of Baltimore City, and after having served as a Judge of the Court of Appeals under appointment by the Governor, was elected as a Judge of the Court of Appeals of Maryland on the seventh day of November, nineteen hundred and eleven, and has served in that capacity up to the present time, making a service upon the Bench of this State of much more than fifteen consecutive years, but he has now by reason of continued sickness become unable to discharge the duties of his said office with efficiency; and whereas he will, on the eighteenth day of September, nineteen hundred and twenty-six, prior to the expiration of his current term, attain the age of seventy years: and whereas the present volume of the work of the Court of Appeals requires the prompt appointment of a successor. Now, therefore:

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, two-thirds of the members of each House concurring and with the approval of the Governor of the State, that the Honorable Henry Stockbridge be retired from the said office of Judge of the Court of Appeals of Maryland, upon condition, however, that he shall continue to receive the salary of his office as now provided until he shall be seventy years of age, and from that time he shall be entitled to receive the salary provided for in Section 46 of Article XXVI of the Code of Public General Laws of Maryland, in the manner provided therein for judges who having served fifteen years upon the Bench, attain the age of seventy years.

SEC. 2. *Be it further likewise enacted*, That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency law and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health or safety, and being passed by a yea and nay vote supported by three-fifths of the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

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