

CHAPTER 15

(Senate Bill 39)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 7 of Article 93 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1951 Edition), title "Testamentary Law", sub-title "Accounts", relating to the testamentary accounts for the estates of certain members of the Armed Forces of the United States.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 7 of Article 93 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1951 Edition), title "Testamentary Law", sub-title "Accounts", be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

7. (a) If the administrator or executor of the estate of a member of the armed forces of the United States dying **[in]** *during the period of his active service [in World War II] therein*, whose assets consist only of compensation due from the United States for said service, publishes once in substantially the form provided in Section 118 of this Article, notice to creditors of such estate to exhibit their claims within thirty days after such notice, he shall not, after the expiration of the time provided in such notice, be answerable for any claim of which he had no notice.

(b) Any such executor or administrator, after payment of all costs of administration, may, in lieu of any administration account, file with the Orphans' Court:

(1) a statement under oath that the decedent was a member of the armed forces of the United States dying **[in]** *during the period of his active service [in World War II] therein*, and the only assets of the estate consist of compensation due from the United States for military service; and

(2) vouchers for the payment of the claims of all creditors of the estate; and

(3) releases signed by all beneficiaries of the estate, showing that all net assets of the estate have been distributed to the persons entitled thereto, and the Orphans'

EXPLANATION: *Italics indicate new matter added to existing law.*

[Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.

CAPITALS indicate amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken out of bill.