

CHAPTER 655

(Senate Bill 573)

AN ACT to amend Sections 220 and 222 of Article 93 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1951 Edition), title "Testamentary Law", sub-title "Inventory and List of Debts", providing that the Orphans' Court for Prince George's County shall appoint a Chief Appraiser and specify the functions, duties, and term of office of said Chief Appraiser.

SECTION 1. *Beit enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Sections 220 and 222 of Article 93 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1951 Edition), title "Testamentary Law", sub-title "Inventory and List of Debts", be and the same are hereby amended, and to read as follows:

220. The Orphans' Court or Register of Wills of the counties of the State, on granting letters testamentary or of administration, or of collection shall issue a warrant or warrants under their seal of office authorizing two persons of discretion, not related to the deceased nor interested in the administration, to appraise the goods, chattels and personal estate of the deceased known to them, or to be shown by the executor, administrator or collector. Provided that in Montgomery County *and Prince George's County* the Orphans' Court shall appoint the appraiser in accordance with the provisions of Section 222 of this title as hereinafter provided by this Act.

222. The Orphans' Court for Montgomery County *and the Orphans' Court for Prince George's County* **[is]** are hereby authorized, empowered and directed to appoint one qualified person to be designated as Chief Appraiser for said Court, to hold office at the pleasure of the said Court, to appraise estates, all the goods, chattels, property, real and personal, in every case where letters testamentary or of administration have been issued by said Court, and said appraiser may be assisted by one ~~or more~~ OTHER appraiser or appraisers as the Court may appoint and require, and said assistant or assistants shall hold office at the pleasure of the said Orphans' Court; and said Chief Appraiser and his assistant or assistants as the case may

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.