

in each of the counties of said circuit for approximately twenty-five years, and

WHEREAS, he is now approaching the age of retirement and can not be expected to indefinitely perform the exacting task which he has acceptably handled for so many years, and

WHEREAS, because his compensation has been upon a per diem basis, he has no credit for retirement pay, and because his compensation prior to 1951 was too meager to permit him to provide adequate security for his years of retirement, and

WHEREAS, it is the sense of the General Assembly, plans should now be made for the ultimate retirement of Robert G. MacCartee, and for his retirement compensation, now therefore

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That a new section be added to each of the Articles of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland (1930 Edition) dealing with Calvert County, Charles County, and St. Mary's County respectively, and to the Code of Public Local Laws of Prince George's County (1953 Edition), said section to be known as Section 72B of Article 5 of said Code, title "Calvert County", sub-title "Circuit Court", to follow immediately after Section 72A: as Section 37 of Article 9 of said Code, title "Charles County", sub-title "Circuit Court", sub-heading "Stenographer", said section to follow immediately after Section 36; as Section 45B of Article 19 of said Code, title "St. Mary's County", sub-title "Circuit Court", sub-heading "Court Stenographer", to follow immediately after Section 45A; and as Section 288-A of the Code of Public Local Laws of Prince George's County (1953 Edition) being Article 17 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, title "Prince George's County", sub-title "Circuit Court", sub-heading "Court Stenographer", said section to follow immediately after Section 288; said new section to read as follows:

72B, 37, 45B, 288-A. Robert G. MacCartee is hereby authorized to retire from his position as Court Reporter in the Counties of the Seventh Judicial Circuit of Maryland upon reaching the age of seventy years, and the Judges of the Seventh Judicial Circuit of Maryland are hereby authorized and empowered by appropriate order to provide for the retirement of Robert G. MacCartee from his position as Court Reporter in said Circuit at any time after the passage of this Act.

In the event of such retirement, he shall be paid from the date thereof retirement compensation at the rate of \$2,400.00 per year, said compensation to be payable one half by the County Commissioners of Prince George's County, and the remainder to be paid equally by the County Commissioners of Calvert, Charles, and St. Mary's Counties, respectively.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That a new section to be known as Section 288-B of the Code of Public Local Laws of Prince George's County (1953 Edition) Article 17 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, title "Prince George's County", sub-title "Circuit Court", sub-heading "Court Stenographer", to follow immediately after Section 288-A, said section to read as follows: