

contest such action and appeal as provided in Section [670] 669 of this sub-heading.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1959.

Approved February 16, 1959.

CHAPTER 20

(Senate Bill 33)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Sections 89, 329 and 333 of Article 93 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Testamentary Law", sub-titles "Conveyance of Real Estate" and "Widows and Widowers", changing references in the testamentary laws from the sum of \$2,000.00 to the sum of \$4,000.00 with reference to a surviving spouse being entitled to take such sum under the laws of distribution, in order that said sections may be consistent with an amendment made by Chapter 717 of the Acts of 1957 to what is now Section 137 of said Article 93.

WHEREAS, in Chapter 717 of the Acts of 1957, which amended what is now Section 137 of Article 93 in the 1957 Code, there was a change made in the testamentary laws of distribution in order to increase from \$2,000.00 to \$4,000.00 the amount taken by a surviving husband or widow; and

WHEREAS, no comparable changes were made in Sections 89, 329 and 333, which still make reference to the sum of \$2,000.00 in these laws of distribution; and

WHEREAS, officials of the State who are responsible for the administration of the testamentary laws are construing the Act of 1957 to have changed this figure from \$2,000.00 to \$4,000.00 as an amendment by implication in the three sections which were not specifically amended; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable to amend these three remaining sections in order that the reference to \$4,000.00 may be uniform throughout all the sections of the testamentary laws in which there are references to it; now, therefore

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Sections 89, 329 and 333 of Article 93 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Testamentary Law", sub-titles "Conveyance of Real Estate" and "Widows and Widowers", be and they are hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

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.