

(1957 Edition and 1962 Supplement), title "Testamentary Law", sub-title "Widows and Widowers", to provide that Sections 331, 332 and 333 shall be applicable to surviving husbands as well as surviving wives.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Sections 331, 332 and 333 of Article 93 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition and 1962 Supplement), title "Testamentary Law", sub-title "Widows and Widowers", be and they are hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

331.

If the will of the husband *or wife* devise a part of both real and personal estate [she] *the surviving spouse* shall renounce the whole, or be otherwise barred of [her] *his or her* right to both real and personal estate.

332.

If the will devise only a part of the real estate, or only a part of the personal estate, the devise shall bar [her] *the surviving spouse* of only the real or personal estate, as the case may require; provided, nevertheless, that if the devise of either real or personal estate, or both, shall be expressly in lieu of [her] *the surviving spouse's* legal share of one or both, [she] *the surviving spouse* shall accordingly be barred unless [she] *he or she* renounce as aforesaid.

333.

But if in effect nothing shall pass by such devise, [she] *the surviving spouse* shall not be thereby barred whether *he or she* shall or shall not renounce as aforesaid. In such case the widow *or widower* shall take one-third of the lands as an heir and one-third of surplus personal estate (if the deceased husband *or wife* shall be survived by descendants); and one-half the lands as an heir and one-half the surplus personal estate (if the deceased husband *or wife* shall not be survived by descendants, but shall be survived by father or mother); and four thousand dollars or its equivalent in property, or any interest therein at its appraised value, and one-half of the residue of the lands as an heir and one-half of the surplus personal estate remaining (if the deceased husband *or wife* shall not be survived by descendants or a father or a mother, but shall be survived by a brother or sister or a child or descendant of a brother or sister) and no more.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1963.

Approved February 26, 1963.

CHAPTER 39
(Senate Bill 76)

AN ACT to add new Section 188B to Article 41 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition and 1962 Supplement), title