

CHAPTER 451

(House Bill 386)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 299 of ~~Article 4 of~~ the Code of Public Local Laws of ~~Maryland and Baltimore City Charter~~ (1949 Edition, BEING ARTICLE 4 OF THE CODE OF PUBLIC LOCAL LAWS OF MARYLAND), title "Baltimore City," subtitle "Criers, Bailiffs, Watchmen and Stenographers," as said Section was amended by Chapter 85 of the Acts of 1955, providing that the Judges of the Supreme Bench of Baltimore City are authorized and directed to appoint from time to time as many court stenographers as shall in their discretion be required for the services of the several courts of Baltimore City AND AS MAY BE PROVIDED FOR FROM TIME TO TIME IN THE ANNUAL ORDINANCE OF ESTIMATES.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 299 of ~~Article 4 of~~ the Code of Public Local Laws of ~~Maryland and Baltimore City Charter~~ (1949 Edition, BEING ARTICLE 4 OF THE CODE OF PUBLIC LOCAL LAWS OF MARYLAND), title "Baltimore City," subtitle "Criers, Bailiffs, Watchmen and Stenographers," as said Section was amended by Chapter 85 of the Acts of 1955, be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, and to read as follows:

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The Judges of the Supreme Bench of Baltimore City are authorized and directed to appoint from time to time as many court stenographers [, not exceeding in number altogether the number of said judges,] as shall in their discretion be required for the services of the several courts of Baltimore City AND AS MAY BE PROVIDED FROM TIME TO TIME IN THE ANNUAL ORDINANCE OF ESTIMATES, who shall be sworn officers of the court, and shall each be paid a salary of Seven Thousand Dollars (\$7,000) per annum when such stenographers shall be required to attend the courts regularly, or twenty dollars per diem for each day of actual employment when he shall be appointed to attend only when his services shall be specially required by the judges; the said salaries to be in like manner as the salaries of the other officers of the courts are now paid, as prescribed in Section 293. Every official court stenographer of the Supreme Bench of Baltimore City, including the stenographer assigned to the Grand Jury, who after having served twenty-five preceding consecutive years, shall attain the age of sixty-five years while in office, or have become physically or mentally incapacitated from performing the duties of court stenographer from ailments or accidents not resulting from any of his misconduct, shall be entitled to retirement with a salary of \$1,000 per annum, payable as other official stenographers' salaries are now paid, provided that such retirement shall be evidenced by a satisfactory certificate approved by the Supreme Bench of Baltimore City, directed to the Comptroller of the City of Baltimore, advising him of the retirement of the stenographer, and that said retirement is in accord with the provisions of this section.