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CHAPTER 369

(Senate Bill 237)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 49(e) of Article 26 of the Annotated Code of Maryland ([[1972]] 1971 Supplement), title "Courts," subtitle "Pensions of Judges and Their Widows," to Ilrevise certain aspects of the contributing pension plan and relating generally thereto. Il permit certain retired judges with small pensions to practice law while retired.

SECTION I. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section 49(e) of Article 26 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (II197211 1971 Supplement), title "Courts," subtitle "Pensions of Judges and Their Widows," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

49.

(e) A judge who retires and accepts the pension or salary provided by this section shall not during the period of such acceptance engage in the practice of law I.I; BUT THIS PROHIBITION DOES NOT APPLY TO ANY JUDGE WHO HAS ATTAINED THE AGE OF SEVENTY (70) AND RECEIVES LESS THAN \$3,500 PER ANNUM IN PENSION OR SALARY AS PROVIDED BY THIS SECTION, AND WHO HAS NOT VOLUNTARILY RETIRED. A judge who has been receiving the benefits provided by this section and who decides to engage in the practice of law may notify the Governor and Comptroller of such fact, and on the indicated date of his engaging in the practice of law his benefits under this section shall cease and no longer be paid; and such a judge shall never again be paid such benefits. In the event that a retired judge who has never been paid benefits under this section and who has been engaged in the practice of law should thereafter relinquish such practice and notify the Governor and Comptroller of the State of such fact, then, from and after the date of such notification the judge shall be entitled to all the benefits provided by this section.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED. That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1973.

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CHAPTER 370

(Senate Bill 238)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 22A of Article 73B of the Annotated Code of Maryland (111970 Replacement Volume and 11 1972 Supplement), title "Pensions," subtitle "Employees of Municipal Corporations," to provide for membership by masters in chancery of the Circuit Court of Baltimore City, either in a local pension system or the State Employees' Retirement System, to require approval of the local legislative body and