The State's Attorney may, however, designate 15 of the [33] 36 33 assistants as full-time assistant State's attorneys at a salary of not more than [\$27,000] \$32,000 annually. The 15 assistants designated as full-time assistant State's attorneys may not engage in the private practice of law.

- (4) The State's Attorney may appoint such clerical, administrative and other assistants as in his judgment may be necessary for the proper conduct of his office. Such clerical, administrative and other assistants shall perform clerical and other work as directed by the State's Attorney.
- (5) The deputy State's attorneys and the assistant State's attorneys shall have the same legal powers as the State's Attorney to represent the State before grand juries and in the trial of criminal proceedings.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1978.

Approved May 2, 1978.

CHAPTER 187

(Senate Bill 59)

AN ACT concerning

Inheritance Taxes - Pension and Benefit Plans

POR the purpose of providing that the authority to designate the beneficiary of certain pension or benefit plans nontaxable for federal estate tax purposes does not constitute dominion for the purpose of determining property subject to State inheritance taxes; providing that certain payments not taxable for federal estate tax purposes are not subject to State inheritance taxes; and clarifying language.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 81 - Revenue and Taxes Section 151 Annotated Code of Maryland (1975 Replacement Volume and 1977 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows:

Article 81 - Revenue and Taxes