

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

Approved May 16, 1978.

CHAPTER 648

{Hcuse Bill 1093}

AN ACT concerning

Pensions - Benefits for Judge's Spouse

FOR the purpose of entitling the spouses of certain deceased judges to a pension, under certain circumstances; providing for the minimum pension; and clarifying language.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 73B - Pensions

~~Section~~ Sections 56(e) and 57(h)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1970 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 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows: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 73B - Pensions

56.

(e) Upon the death of a judge or former judge at any age, his spouse shall be paid one half of the pension that would be payable from time to time to the former judge if he were living and eligible to receive a pension. PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THE SPOUSE OF ANY JUDGE WHO DIES WHILE IN ACTIVE SERVICE BETWEEN JULY 1, 1977 AND JULY 1, 1978, PROVIDED HE OR SHE DOES NOT REMARRY, IS ENTITLED TO A PENSION EQUIVALENT TO NOT LESS NOR MORE THAN ONE-SIXTH OF THE ANNUAL SALARY FOR JUDGES OF THAT COURT AS OF THE DATE OF DEATH.

57.

(h) The amount of the pension payable to a former judge in each fiscal year is two-thirds of the salary payable in that fiscal year to a judge holding the same or same level judicial position as that in which the former judge served at the time of the termination of service, provided that the former judge served 16 years or more. If the period of active judicial service of the former judge was less than 16 years, the amount of pension shall be less, in the