### House Bill No. 333

# AN ACT concerning

## Register of Wills - Salary

FOR the purpose of removing altering a certain limit on the maximum salary that the Board of Public Works may set for a register of wills; and providing that this Act does not apply to the salary or compensation of an incumbent register of wills.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article - Estates and Trusts

Section 2-205(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2001 Replacement Volume and 2004 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Estates and Trusts

Section 2-205(b)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2001 Replacement Volume and 2004 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

#### **Article - Estates and Trusts**

### 2-205.

- (a) (1) It is the intent of this section that each register shall receive a fair and adequate compensation for the effort and duties required of the register by the register's office.
- (2) The volume and character of work done by the register shall be in comparison to the salary fixed by the Board of Public Works for each of the other registers.
- (b) (1) Each register is entitled to receive an annual salary to find more than \$85,000 \$95,000 \$98,500,\} to be determined in each instance by the Board of Public Works.
- (2) In determining the annual salary of the register, the Board of Public Works shall be guided in the exercise of its discretion by:
- (i) The population of the county determined by the last official United States census;
- (ii) The dollar volume of total fees and taxes collected and excess fees turned over to the State for each of the preceding 5 years by the office of the register for which the salary is being fixed; and