

**CHAPTER 341**  
**(Senate Bill 357)**

AN ACT concerning

**Orphans' Court Judges - Pension - Prince George's County**

FOR the purpose of altering the formula by which the pension for certain Prince George's County Orphans' Court judges is calculated.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Estates and Trusts

Section 2-108(y)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1991 Replacement Volume and 1998 Supplement)

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

**Article - Estates and Trusts**

2-108.

(y) (1) Except in Montgomery, Frederick, Carroll, Talbot, Caroline, Cecil, Kent, Queen Anne's, Baltimore, Garrett, and Harford Counties and Baltimore City, and except as provided in paragraphs (3) and (4) of this subsection, a county shall pay a pension, in the same manner as salaries are paid during active service, to each judge of the Orphans' Court who:

- (i) Has terminated active service;
- (ii) Has reached 60 years of age; and
- (iii) Has completed at least two terms of office.

(2) ~~The~~ EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (5) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE salary or pension shall be the greater of:

- (i) \$1,200 annually; or
- (ii) An annual amount calculated at the rate of 4 percent of the last annual amount of compensation multiplied by the number of years or partial years of service, not exceeding ~~{12} 20~~ years.

(3) An Orphans' Court judge in Somerset and Worcester Counties is eligible for a pension under this subsection only if he is in office on or before July 1, 1979.

(4) In Wicomico County, an Orphans' Court judge who has completed at least 12 years in office is eligible for a pension under this subsection.