[\$15,250] \$30,000 annually. The pension or salary shall be paid by the City of Baltimore in the same manner as the salaries of the judges of the Court for the City are paid.

(2) The surviving spouse of every elected judge of the Court of Baltimore City shall be paid one half of the pension to which his spouse was entitled at the time of his death, or would have become entitled to by reason of attaining 60 years of age. In each instance, the pension shall be paid to the spouse until remarriage or death. The provisions of this subsection shall not apply in the case of a spouse who was married to a sitting judge for a period of less than three years prior to his death, and to a retired judge for a period less than three years before his retirement.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall be construed only prospectively and may not be applied or interpreted to have any effect on or application to any pension payable to an associate judge or the Chief Judge of the Orphans' Court of Baltimore City before the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July October 1, 2001.

Approved May 15, 2001.

CHAPTER 556

(House Bill 1401)

AN ACT concerning

Canal Place Preservation and Development Authority

FOR the purpose of renaming the Canal Place Historic Preservation District to be the Canal Place Heritage Area and expanding the purposes and areas covered by the Heritage Area; authorizing the modification of the boundaries of the Heritage Area under certain circumstances; expanding the purposes and altering the authority of the Canal Place Preservation and Development Authority; repealing certain condemnation powers of the Authority; granting to iurisdictions newly covered by the Heritage Area the authority to issue parking citations and providing for the amount of the fines which may be imposed under those citations; authorizing local jurisdictions within the Heritage Area to lease, lend, grant, or otherwise convey property or property interests to the Authority; transferring certain approval authority and duties from the Maryland Historical Trust to the Maryland Heritage Areas Authority; authorizing the Canal Place Preservation and Development Authority to provide or contract to provide tourism marketing and promotional services for the Heritage Area, the City of Cumberland, and Allegany County under certain circumstances; narrowing a certain personnel exemption applicable to the Canal Place Preservation and Development Authority; clarifying that the terms of the appointed members of the Authority members are staggered as required by the terms of the members serving on a certain date; making provisions of this Act severable; and generally