

law. In the last few days the State Forester has issued a blanket permit which will enable the officials of Easton to designate a responsible person to be appointed as Forest Warden. Thereupon, this individual, acting on the authority of the Mayor and Council will have authority and hence the local officials will have a representative to whom to look in any emergency.

My primary interest is to uphold the Conservation Laws of the State and inasmuch as this measure is considered to be one to weaken the laws, I feel constrained to veto it.

## WICOMICO COUNTY.

March 16, 1943.

The Speaker of the House,  
Maryland House of Delegates,  
State House,  
Annapolis, Maryland.

Dear Sir:

I am returning, without approval, House Bill 188 (Chapter 67), entitled:

“An Act to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 238 of Article 93 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition), title ‘Testamentary Law’, subtitle ‘Orphans’ Courts’, as said section was amended by Chapter 653 of the Acts of 1941, increasing the compensation of the judges of the Orphans’ Court for Wicomico County.”

The Attorney-General, to whom all bills are submitted for official ruling as to their constitutionality and validity, has given me the following opinion on this bill:

“This bill undertakes to increase the compensation of the Judges of the Orphans’ Court for Wicomico County by repealing and re-enacting, with amendments, Section 238 of Article 93 of the Code (1939 Edition) as said section was amended by Chapter 653 of the Acts of 1941. The Bill starts out by providing that the Judges of the Orphans’ Court of the several counties shall receive the sum of \$4.00 for every day of attendance. It then exempts St. Mary’s and Montgomery Counties from the provisions of the section and then increases the amount to be paid the Judges of the Orphans’ Court for Wicomico County to \$6.00 and provides \$15.00 a day for the Judges of the Orphans’ Court in Montgomery County with the total limitation of \$1,800.00 a year in that