

person is of teachable age, and is endowed with capacity to receive instruction, and that neither such person, his or her parents or guardian, is possessed of means to pay for such instruction, then it shall be the further duty of the county commissioners, or of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore aforesaid, to certify the same to the Governor of this State.

2*. On receiving the certificate of the county commissioners or the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore as aforesaid, it shall be the duty of the Governor to authorize the instruction of said deaf and dumb person in the Pennsylvania Institution for the Deaf and Dumb, or in the Columbian Institution for the Instruction of the Deaf and Dumb and the Blind, at the option of such person, his or her parents, guardian or next friend, for a term not exceeding seven years; and it shall be the further duty of the Governor, on the certificate of the president or superintendent of either of said institutions, as the case may be, that such deaf and dumb person has been taught at his institution, to draw his warrant on the Treasurer of this State, for one hundred and sixty dollars per annum for each deaf and dumb person taught in pursuance of his authority at said institution, payable to the president or superintendent thereof, in semi-annual payments, to commence in six months after said person shall be received into said institution; and the Governor shall also draw on the Treasurer his warrant, payable to the proper party, for the expenses necessarily incurred in transporting and returning said deaf and dumb person: *Provided*, the whole amount drawn from the treasury for the purposes aforesaid shall not exceed five thousand dollars in any one year; *Provided, further*, that the Governor shall dispose of applications on behalf of deaf and dumb persons, under the provisions of this article, in the order in which they may be made, and if the applications be more than sufficient to absorb the foregoing appropriation, he shall suspend action upon the excess until vacancies occur or further provision be made by the General Assembly.

INDIGENT BLIND.

3. A sum not exceeding six thousand dollars, shall be annually appropriated, to be applied under the direction of the Governor in placing for instruction in the Maryland Institution for the Instruction of the Blind, or in some convenient institution established for that purpose, such indigent blind persons of the age of nine years and upwards, inhabitants of this State, and the