

That Section 408 of the Charter and Public Local Laws of Baltimore City (1949 Ed.), sub-title "Justices of the Peace and Constables", be and the same is hereby repealed in its entirety.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That sub-section (c) of Section 428 of the Charter and Public Local Laws of Baltimore City (1949 Ed.), sub-title, "Justices of the Peace and Constables", as the same was enacted by Chapter 458 of the Acts of 1951, be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments, to read as follows:

428 (c). All females and children under sixteen years of age arrested upon any criminal charge, whether under the laws of Maryland or of the City of Baltimore, [shall be taken before the Justice of the Peace sitting in a station-house designated by the Police Commissioner of Baltimore City as the "Women's Court" who shall take jurisdiction of the case and dispose of such case promptly; provided, however, that in cases where a female or a child under sixteen years of age is jointly charged with a male over sixteen years of age, the preliminary hearing or trial, as the case may be, shall be held before the Justice of the Peace having jurisdiction over the case against the male over sixteen years of age. The Police Commissioner may, in his discretion, designate one or more station-houses as a "Women's Court."] *shall be detained at the Pine Street Station House of the Baltimore City Police. Said children shall there be detained in a room or quarters separate from adult offenders.*

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That Section 428 (d) of the Charter and Public Local Laws of Baltimore City (1949 Ed.), sub-title, "Justices of the Peace and Constables", as the same was enacted by Chapter 458 of the Acts of 1951, be and the same is hereby repealed.

[428 (d). All children under sixteen years of age taken into custody as delinquent children and not released under the provisions of Section 246 of the Charter and Public Local Laws of Baltimore City (1949 Edition) shall be taken to a station-house designated by the Police Commissioner of Baltimore City as the "Women's Court" and there be detained in a room or quarters separate from adult offenders pending the delivery of such children to the Circuit Court of Baltimore City, Division for Juvenile Causes, for hearing.]

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety, and having been passed by a yea and nay vote, supported by three-fifths of all of the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly of Maryland, the same (a) shall take effect from the date of its passage; (b) shall terminate or be of no effect as of the time that Chapter 616 of the Laws of the General Assembly of Maryland enacted at its Regular Session in 1961, becomes or became effective, otherwise to remain in full force and effect; and (c) shall not be construed as repealing, by implication or otherwise, the aforesaid Chapter 616, or any part thereof.

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