

Dismas House, Inc., 101 South Mount St., Baltimore 21223. This unit is privately operated through contract with the State.

Montgomery County Pre-Release Center, 11500 Huff Court, Kensington 20795. State contracts for housing community correction inmates.

O'Brien House, 521 E. Eager Street, Baltimore 21202.

Community Correction Center for Women, 4500 Park Heights Avenue, Baltimore 21207.

Community Correction Pre-Release Center, 401 E. Eager Street, Baltimore 21202. This unit is located on the 4th floor of the Women's Detention Center, Baltimore City Jail and leased by the State from the City Jail.

DIVISION OF CORRECTION

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Prior to 1916, the Maryland Penitentiary and the Maryland House of Correction were autonomous institutions operating under the jurisdiction of a separate Board of Directors and a Board of Managers appointed by the Governor. By Chapter 556, Acts of 1916, these institutions were administered by the State Board of Prison Control. By Chapter 29, Acts of 1922, the Board of Welfare superseded the Board of Prison Control and administered the prisons. By Chapter 69, Acts of 1939, the Department of Correction and the Board of Correction assumed all rights, powers, and duties which had formerly been vested in the Board of Welfare.

By Chapter 758, Acts of 1953, the Superintendent of Prisons became the administrator of the Department. The Board of Correction established departmental policies and appointed the executive personnel of the institutions under the jurisdiction of the Department on the recommendations made by the Superintendent of Prisons (Code

1957, 1976 Repl. Vol., Art. 27, secs. 667, 669-71, 675, 677). The 1962 General Assembly repealed Article 27, Sections 667-710, of the 1957 Code and 1961 Supplement and enacted new Sections 667 to 704, inclusive, to revise and change the laws governing the administration of the Department of Correction. Chapter 123 of the Acts of 1962 established the Advisory Board and created the office of Commissioner of Correction. Chapter 137, Acts of 1968 repealed and re-enacted Sec. 667 of Article 27, changing the name of the Department from the Department of Correction to the Department of Correctional Services.

Chapter 401, Acts of 1970, effective July 1, 1970, incorporated all of the State's correctional responsibilities under the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services. Thus, by virtue of this Act, the Department of Correctional Services was re-titled and reestablished as the Division of Correction and continued as the same department in its capacity of exercising central administrative control over the adult correctional facilities in Maryland as provided in Art. 27, Sections 667-726, subject to the authority of the Secretary of Public Safety and Correctional Services. The same act also abolished the Advisory Board of the Department of Correction, the Advisory Board of the Division of Parole and Probation, and the Advisory Council for Correctional Services (Code 1957, 1971 Repl. Vol., Art. 41, secs. 204D and 204E).

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 401, Acts of 1970, the Commissioner of Correction is appointed by the Secretary of Public Safety and Correctional Services with the approval of the Governor and by and with the consent and advice of the Senate. The Commissioner is in sole and active charge of the Division of Correction and of its several institutions and agencies, subject only to his responsibility to the Secretary of Public Safety and Correctional Services and to the Governor (Code 1957, 1976 Repl. Vol., Art. 27, secs. 673-674).

The staff of the Division of Correction plans, establishes, and directs programs of administration for the various correctional