

Proviso

be arrested, and on due proof, to commit any vagrant, habitually disorderly person (not insane) or habitual drunkard, to said House of Correction for a period not less than three months, nor more than six months, and on a second or subsequent committment of the same person for any of the said causes, he or she, in the discretion of the justice may be sentenced to double the time of the first committment; provided, that any person, who may be brought before a justice of the peace as herein mentioned, shall have the right to appeal to the Circuit Court of the county, or if in the city of Baltimore to the Criminal Court of said city, where the same shall be tried as other crimes and misdemeanors.

To be employed

SEC. 11. *And be it enacted,* That every person committed or sentenced to the said House of Correction, shall be kept at some useful employment, such as may be best suited to his or her age and most profitable to the institution, and if the person shall refuse to perform the work assigned to him or her, or be guilty of acts of insubordination or misconduct, such person shall be punished in such manner as the regulation prescribed by said Board of Managers shall provide, and a record shall be kept of every punishment inflicted and the cause thereof, in a book which shall be kept at the institution, and shall always be laid before the said Board at its meetings, and it shall be the duty of the board to exercise a careful supervision and control over the punishments inflicted.

May apply for writ of habeas corpus

SEC. 12. *And be it enacted,* That any person committed to said House of Correction by a justice of the peace, may apply for a writ of habeas corpus, to any Judge of any Court of Record, and upon return thereof, such judge, if he shall deem that there is sufficient ground for so doing, shall hear the evidence offered and either discharge the applicant or modify or confirm the committment.

Allot and pay portion of earnings

SEC. 13. *And be it enacted,* That the Board of Managers shall in its discretion, and with reference to the uniform good conduct therein, of the persons committed or sentenced to said institution, allot and pay over to such persons at the time of their release a portion of the earnings of his or her labor.