

SEC. 6. *And be it enacted*, That the Court upon the trial of said person accused of being the father of the said bastard child, may in its discretion pass an order directing the mother thereof to give a bond in a penalty not exceeding \$500 with good and sufficient securities, to the State of Maryland, conditioned that she will indemnify the county or city, as the case may be, from any charge that may accrue for the maintenance and support of the said child until said child reaches the age of twelve years, and upon neglect or refusal to give such bond, the Court may commit her to jail or other institution for a term not exceeding one year, or until such bond is given, provided, however, that the Court may suspend sentence and parole the said woman for the term of two years.

SEC. 7. *And be it enacted*, That all bonds or recognizances required under this act to be taken or given before a justice of the peace shall be immediately returned by said justice of the peace (a copy thereof being retained by the said justice of the peace), to the clerk of the Circuit Court of the county or the Criminal Court of Baltimore City as the case may be; and the clerk of the Court shall record said bonds or recognizances together with any other bonds or recognizances taken or given by the order of the Court therein among the proceedings of the Court.

SEC. 8. *And be it enacted*, That the Court may from time to time, upon petition of any interested party, change or modify its order directing the amount that the father shall pay for the maintenance and support of said child, ten days' notice in writing mailed to or left at the last known address of the opposite party shall be sufficient service.

SEC. 9. *And be it enacted*, That the Circuit Court of the county or the Criminal Court of Baltimore City, as the case may be, shall take such action and shall have authority to direct the issue of such writs as may be appropriate to enforce the bonds provided for by this act.

SEC. 10. *And be it enacted*, That upon the death of the father after giving the bond required in section 5, the Court may, upon the suggestion of the death of the said father, summon the personal representatives and heirs of the said father and the securities upon the bond given as required by section 5, if such parties be within the State, and the mother or other person having charge of the said child, and upon proof being offered to the Court of the amount of the estate of the said decedent father, and upon any other points upon which the Court desires to hear testimony, the Court may, in its discretion, direct and order such sum or sums to be paid to the