

bly of 1902, be and they are hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments, so as to read as follows:

124. Every child residing in Baltimore City between eight and fourteen years of age shall attend some school regularly as defined in section 131 of this sub-title, during the entire period of each year, the public day schools in said city in which said child resides are in session, unless it can be shown that the child is elsewhere receiving regularly thorough instruction during said period in the studies usually taught in the said public schools to children of the same age; provided that the superintendent or principal of any school, or person or persons duly authorized by said superintendent or principal may excuse cases of necessary absence among its enrolled pupils; and provided further, that the provisions of this section shall not apply to a child whose mental or physical condition is such as to render its instruction as above described inexpedient or impracticable. Every person having under his control a child between eight and fourteen years of age shall cause such child to attend school or receive instruction as required by this section children over fourteen years of age and under the age of sixteen years; and every person having under his control such a child shall be subject to the requirements of this section, unless such children are regularly and lawfully employed to labor at home or elsewhere.

125. Any person who has a child under his control and who fails to comply with any of the provisions of the preceding sections 124 and 124A, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and be fined not exceeding five dollars for each offense.

126. Any person who induces or attempts to induce any child to absent himself unlawfully from school, or employs or harbors while school is in session any child absent unlawfully from school shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and be fined not more than fifty dollars.

127. The Board of School Commissioners of Baltimore City shall appoint and may remove at pleasure one "chief attendance officer," male or female and in addition such number of "attendance officers" not exceeding eighteen as it may deem proper. Their compensation shall be paid by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore. The Boards of School Commissioners of the several counties may appoint and may remove at pleasure for their respective counties or any part thereof such number of "attendance officers," male or female, as they may deem necessary or desirable and fix their compensation from the general school fund of the respective counties.