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See note to section 125.

School Attendance.

1904, art. 77, sec. 151. 1902, ch. 269, sec. 124. 1912, ch. 173, sec. 124.

153. Every child residing in Baltimore City between eight and fourteen years of age shall attend some school regularly as defined in section 160 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 children are regularly and lawfully employed to labor at home or elsewhere.*

See notes to this section (as it stood in 1911) in volume 2 of the Annotated Code.

1912, ch. 173, sec. 124A.

153A. Every child residing in any county of this State between eight and fourteen years of age shall attend some day school regularly as defined in section 160 of this sub-title during such consecutive period of each year (in no case less than four months) as shall be prescribed by the board of school commissioners of the county in which the said child may reside, unless it can be shown that such a child is elsewhere receiving regularly thorough instruction during said period in the studies usually taught in the public schools of the county to children of the same age; provided that the superintendent or principal of any school or person or persons duly authorized by such 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 children whose mental or physical condition is such as to render instruction above described inexpedient or impracticable. Every person having under his control a child between eight and fourteen

*A "saving" clause is contained in section 4 of the acts of 1912, chapter 173, and it is further provided in said section that nothing in chapter 173 should be taken to apply to Howard, Kent, Anne Arundel, Worcester, St. Mary's and Somerset Counties, the law as it existed prior to said act remaining in force in those counties. The act of 1912, chapter 173, went into effect August 1, 1912.