

The Board shall have the power to employ a Secretary, and a Stenographer. The salary of the Secretary shall be Twelve Hundred dollars (\$1,200) per year and that of the Stenographer One Thousand dollars (\$1,000) per year.

The duties of the Secretary and Stenographer shall be to conduct the correspondence of the Board, keep a record of its business, assist in investigations of applications, and keep on file applications and such other business as the Board may direct. The Board for Mothers' Relief for Baltimore City shall have an office allotted it in the City Hall of Baltimore City, in the Court House of Baltimore City or in such other municipal building as may be obtained.

It shall be the duty of the Board of Mothers' Relief for Baltimore City to investigate every application for relief, to hear all witnesses for applicants and to carry out the provisions of this sub-title as embodied in all its sections and see to the administration of this sub-title in all its particulars as relating to Baltimore City.

Each member of the Board shall for the purpose contemplated by this sub-title have power to issue subpoenas, compel the attendance of witnesses, administer oaths, certify to official acts, take depositions within or without the State of Maryland as now provided by law, compel the production of pertinent books, payrolls, papers, records, documents and testimony. Provided, however, that instead of appointing the Board for Mothers' Relief of Baltimore City, as provided in this Section, the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore may, in its discretion, devolve the duties imposed by this sub-title upon said Board for Mothers' Relief upon the Supervisors of City Charities of Baltimore City.\*

1916, ch. 670. sec. 2.

**20.** Nothing in this sub-title shall be construed to affect or interfere with the provisions of the laws of Maryland as now existing relating to the jurisdiction of the Supreme Bench of Baltimore City, the Circuit Courts of the State of Maryland, or the Juvenile Court of Baltimore City, in regard to the custody and control of infants.

Any mother of a child or children under the age of fourteen (14) years, whose husband is dead, and who is unable to support it or them and maintain her home, may present a written application or petition for relief to the County Commissioners of the County wherein she resides, or to the Board for Mothers' Relief for Baltimore City, if she resides in Baltimore City.

Such application or petition shall be verified by three witnesses and shall set forth the following:

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\*Section 13 of the act of 1916, chapter 670, provides that if said act should be held invalid as to the counties or any of them, it shall remain in full force and effect as to Baltimore City. Section 12 repeals all laws or parts of laws inconsistent with the act of 1916, chapter 670