

An. Code, sec. 27. 1904, sec. 27. 1888, sec. 27. 1886, ch. 487, sec. 28.

28. No person or association of persons shall establish or keep an asylum or retreat or private place or home for the care or custody of the insane or treatment of such cases or of persons of unsound mind for compensation or hire without first obtaining a license therefor from said Board of Mental Hygiene. This section shall not apply to any State or incorporated institution or almshouse in any of the counties, except when a county almshouse shall receive insane persons from other counties for pay.

An. Code, sec. 28. 1904, sec. 28. 1888, sec. 28. 1886, ch. 487, sec. 29.

29. Every application for such license made to the said Board shall be accompanied by a plan of the premises proposed to be so occupied, number of patients, male and female, location, and whatever other details the Board may think proper to require in order to form an opinion as to the propriety of issuing such license; said Board are authorized to grant or refuse such license in their judgment; if such license be refused to an applicant, then and in that case said applicant may appeal from the decision of the Board to the superior court of the city of Baltimore, or to the circuit court for the counties, to show cause why such license shall not issue; should the court decide that no sufficient cause exists for not granting the license, the court may order the Board to issue such license. The form of license shall be substantially as follows: Know all men by these presents, that the Board of Mental Hygiene, acting under the laws of the State of Maryland, hereby certify that _____, of the city or county of _____, has delivered to them a plan and description of a building and premises proposed to be licensed for the reception of lunatics, situated in the county or city of _____ (here describe location, postoffice address, number of patients proposed to be treated or held in custody), and said Board having considered and approved the same, hereby authorize the said _____, he intending to reside therein, to use and employ said building and premises for the reception of lunatics (male and female), who shall be known as private patients. Given under our hands this _____ day of _____, 19____.

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Board of Mental Hygiene.

An. Code, sec. 29. 1904, sec. 29. 1888, sec. 29. 1886, ch. 487, sec. 30.

30. Any person violating this article by failing to take out a license as required herein shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be subject to a fine or imprisonment, in the discretion of the court before which such case may be tried.

An. Code, sec. 30. 1904, sec. 30. 1888, sec. 30. 1886, ch. 487, sec. 31.

31. The board of managers or superintendent of any institution, public, corporate or private, or almshouse, which may be duly authorized to hold in custody any insane person in accordance with law, may appoint one or more of the attendants or other employes of such places as police-