

CHAPTER 471.

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact with amendments the seventh section of an act passed at January session, eighteen hundred and seventy-eight, chapter four hundred and forty-two, entitled "An act to give additional corporate powers to the House of the Good Shepherd of the city of Baltimore," and to provide for the commitment thereto of dissolute and disorderly females for the purpose of reformation.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the seventh section of the act passed at January session, eighteen hundred and seventy eight, chapter four hundred and forty-two, entitled "An act to give additional corporate powers to the House of the Good Shepherd of the city of Baltimore," and to provide for the commitment thereto of dissolute and disorderly females, for the purpose of reformation, be and the same is hereby repealed, and that there be enacted instead thereof the following, to be known as section seven of the said act, that is to say :

Repealed and enacted instead.

SECTION 7. The Judge of the Criminal Court of Baltimore city, or any judge of any circuit court for any county, or any justice of the peace for any county, upon information, that any female under the age of twenty-one years, in their several counties, or in the city of Baltimore, as the case may be, leads a disorderly, dissolute course of life, may, upon application of the parent or next friend of such female, issue a warrant or order, directed to the sheriff, or to any constable or police officer in such county or city, commanding him to bring the person against whom the information is so given before said court or said justice, on any day to be named therein, not more than one week from the date of the warrant, to answer said charge; and said court or justice, upon proof of said charge, may commit such female to the House of the Good

Issue warrant.

Who may commit.