

form, and not of punishment, may order said minor so convicted to be removed to and confined in the said House of Refuge; provided that in all cases no transfer of any such minor shall be made until due notice has been given to the superintendent of said House of Refuge, and an answer received from him that there is room in the House of Refuge for the reception of such delinquent.

Proviso.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Effective.

Approved May 3, 1852.

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Chapter 382.

AN ACT to repeal section twenty-one of an act passed January session, eighteen hundred and seventy, chapter three hundred and ninety-two, entitled "An act to incorporate a House of Reformation and Instruction for Colored Children, and to appropriate a sum of money for the same," and to re-enact the same with amendments.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That section twenty-one of an act passed January session, eighteen hundred and seventy, chapter three hundred and ninety-two, entitled "An act to incorporate a House of Reformation and Instruction for Colored Children, and to appropriate a sum of money for the same," be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments, as follows:

Repealed and re-enacted.

21. Whenever any colored minor under the age of sixteen years shall be convicted before any court, or magistrate, of any felony, or other offence against any law or laws of this State, the judge of said court, or said magistrate, in his discretion, and with reference to the character of said institution as a place of reform and not of punishment, may order said minor so convicted to be removed to and confined in the said House of Reformation and Instruction; provided that in all cases no transfer of any

Who may be confined therein.