

insane or other special classes requiring special treatment, or homeless persons requiring temporary care only ; *provided*, the City has adequate accommodations at the Almshouse or other City home. All poor persons who, in the judgment of said Supervisors, require special care or treatment outside of a City institution, may be placed by said Supervisors in any institution or institutions with which the City has contracted for such care or treatment, which they, in the exercise of their judgment, after careful inspection and inquiry, shall deem best fitted to give the necessary care or treatment.

107. The Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, through the said Supervisors, shall have care and supervision over such children as shall be committed to or placed in those institutions with which the City may have contracted and as shall have been duly accepted by said Supervisors as proper charges on the City. Said Supervisors shall have power to remove any child from any such institution to which he or she has been committed or placed, and to place said child in any other such institution, when it is apparent to the Supervisors that, from improper treatment or for other good cause, the welfare of the child requires such removal. No such child shall be discharged from the institution to which he or she shall have been committed or placed (unless by direction of a court of competent jurisdiction), or be transferred to any other institution, or to the care of any individual, without the approval and consent of the said Supervisors. It shall be the duty of the Supervisors, as far as is practicable, to place all destitute or neglected children who are under their care or in their charge, in some institution or home for children, or, without payment of board in some respectable family in the State of Maryland, and to have the children visited, and their circumstances carefully examined at least once in every six months by one of the Supervisors or by a skilled agent or agents appointed by them for the purpose. On the preliminary question of the commitment of any destitute or neglected child, said Supervisors, or their agent, shall be summoned by the committing officer and heard as to whether the parent or guardian of the child to be committed is entitled to the aid of the City, and if on the return of the summons of the said