

be filed by a duly appointed probation officer, or by the State's Attorney for the County. The petition shall set forth the name and residence of the child, and of its parents or guardians, or other persons having the custody, control or supervision of such child, and of the person or persons responsible for or contributing to the condition of such child; and that the child is a minor without proper care or guardianship, and it shall be sufficient that the affidavit to the facts set forth in the petition is on information and belief.

Upon the filing of the petition a summons shall issue requiring all persons named in the petition to appear at a place and time stated in the summons which time shall not be less than twenty-four hours after service. Such summons may be served by the sheriff or constable, or police officer, or a probation officer. If the person summoned shall fail to appear, the Court may issue an attachment for such person's personal attendance in court at the time to be stated therein, and upon the execution of the attachment such person may give bond for his appearance at the time stated therein in such sum as the Court may direct. If it shall be made to appear by affidavit, that there are good reasons to believe, that any person proceeded against under this Act will leave the jurisdiction of the Court before the day set for the trial of the proceedings herein, the Court may cause a warrant to issue directed to the sheriff or an officer authorized by law to serve a warrant commanding such officer to take the person named therein, and bring him forthwith before the Court, or the judge thereof, and the Court or Judge thereof, may thereupon require such person to give bond for his appearance at the time named for trial, or may make such interlocutory orders as are proper in the premises.

SEC. 3. If upon the hearing of the matter, the Court is satisfied that the person proceeded against is responsible for, or has contributed to the condition of the minor without proper care or guardianship named in the petition, as defined under the laws of this State, the Court may enter a judgment determining such facts, and requiring such person to do, or omit to do, any act or acts complained of in the petition. And for the purpose of enforcing its judgment, the Court in its discretion may continue the proceedings from time to time, and release such person on probation during the period of one year. The Court may further in its discretion as part of the judgment require such person to enter into a bond to the State of Maryland with or without surety in such sum as the Court may direct, to comply with the orders of the Court.