

tion of all such cases, to be present before said Magistrate to represent the interest of the child when the case is heard, to furnish said Magistrate such information and assistance as said Magistrate may require, to take charge of such child before or after the trial if the said Magistrate shall so direct; and whenever such probation officer shall have knowledge of any dependent, neglected or delinquent child, it shall be the duty of such officer to bring the same to the attention of said Magistrate by petition, as hereinbefore provided. In addition to the salary above provided for such probation officer, he or she, shall be allowed for all actual and reasonable travelling expenses when in the discharge of duties imposed by order of said Magistrate, to be paid by the County Commissioners upon the approval and order of said Magistrate; and the County Commissioners of Washington County shall and they are hereby vested with full power and authority to make all necessary levies and appropriations to pay the salary and expenses of such probation officer, as well as all other salaries and expenses provided to be paid by this Act.

272E. In the event that any minor, charged by petition, filed under this Act with a criminal offense for which a jury trial may be legally demanded, may pray a jury trial when brought before the said Magistrate for Juvenile Cases, then said Magistrate shall proceed in like manner as Justices of the Peace may now or hereafter be authorized to proceed in like criminal cases where the defendant is an adult.

272F. If upon hearing and investigation, the said Magistrate for Juvenile Cases shall find any child under the above specified age to be dependent, neglected or delinquent within the meaning of this Act, such Magistrate may allow such child to remain at its home, subject to the supervision of the said Magistrate, or the probation officer hereinbefore provided for, and may require such child to report to said Magistrate or probation officer at such times as said Magistrate shall order. Or if said Magistrate then or thereafter find the parent, parents, guardian or custodian of such child an unfit or improper person or persons, or unable or unwilling to care for, protect, train, educate or discipline such child, and shall further find it to be to the interest of such child or the people of said county that such child be taken from the custody of such parent, parents, guardian or custodian, said Magistrate may pass an order committing the child to the custody of some responsible citizen of Washington County or of some agency