

not been inspected as required, or which is, in his opinion, unsafe or improperly equipped or otherwise unfit to be operated, and for like reasons he may revoke any registration already made; provided, however, that the provisions of Section 189 of this Article, with reference to notice, hearing and appeal shall be applicable in all cases where registration is refused or revoked under the terms of this section.

Approved April 11, 1929.

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#### CHAPTER 258.

AN ACT to add a new section to Article 27 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1924 Edition), title "Crimes and Punishments," sub-title "The Department of Welfare," said new section to be known as Section 694A, to follow immediately after Section 694 of said Article, dealing with the care of pregnant female prisoners about to give birth to children and with the care of such children thereafter.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That a new section be and it is hereby added to Article 27 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1924 Edition), title "Crimes and Punishments," sub-title "The Department of Welfare," said new section to be known as Section 694A of said Article and to read as follows:

694A. If a representation is made to the officer in charge of any Penal Institution that a woman confined in such Penal Institution is pregnant and about to give birth to a child, a reasonable time before the anticipated birth of such child, such officer shall make careful inquiry and, if the facts so require, recommend to the Governor through the Board of Welfare the exercise of Executive clemency. The Governor may, without notice, parole such convict, commute the sentence or suspend its execution for a definite period or from time to time as he deems proper. If the sentence is suspended, the officer in charge of such institution, a reasonable time before the anticipated birth of such child, shall cause such woman to be removed from such institution and provided with comfortable accommodations, maintenance and medical care elsewhere under such supervision and safeguard to prevent her escape from custody, as he may determine, and subject to her return to such