

20. The Superintendents and all other employees of said institutions shall continue in their employment under the provisions of Article 64A of the Code, despite the passage of this Act. Any replacements or additional employees shall be selected by the respective Boards in accordance with the provisions of said Article, except that the Boards of Public Welfare shall prescribe the minimum qualifications for such personnel. In the event of a vacancy in the position of Superintendent of any of said institutions, the vacancy shall be filled by the Board of Managers.

21. For each child committed to the State Department of Public Welfare and placed in the custody of any of the training schools aforesaid, the County (or Baltimore City) where the child resided at the time of his or her commitment, shall be chargeable with the sum of one hundred and eighty dollars (\$180) per annum, for the care and training of each child, and the sum of twenty-five dollars (\$25) per annum for each child placed on parole by said Department. It shall be the duty of the State Department of Public Welfare to furnish to the County Commissioners of each County, and to the Comptroller of Baltimore City a quarterly statement giving the number and names of all children, the cost of whose maintenance and supervision is chargeable thereto, and the amounts due therefor. Said Department shall likewise certify to the State Comptroller the amounts due from the several counties and Baltimore City as aforesaid, and it shall be the duty of the Comptroller to collect the same from said Counties and City.

22. The County Commissioners of each County and the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore are authorized and directed to levy annually upon the assessable property in each of said counties or city, a sum sufficient to pay the charges aforesaid. Should any County or Baltimore City fail to levy a tax sufficient to pay said charges, the Comptroller shall enforce said obligation by an action of mandamus, the withholding of any moneys due to said County or City, or by other appropriate action. If any County, or Baltimore City, shall claim that any child is not a proper charge against it, or otherwise question the correctness of the amount due, it shall be entitled to a hearing before the Comptroller, and the decision of the Comptroller as to any questions of fact, or as to the residence of any child, shall be final and conclusive.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That Section 142 of Article 41 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition), title "Governor—Executive and Administrative De-