

until brought before the Magistrate for trial or hearing. The Board of County Commissioners for said County may in its discretion rent, lease or build a suitable building as a house of detention for children under the age of eighteen years who may be held to await trial or hearing, and to which such children may be committed by said Magistrate for Juvenile Causes or to other reformatories, institutions or schools. Such building shall contain separate wards for male and female inmates.

373. When a child under the age of eighteen years comes under the cognizance or jurisdiction of said Magistrate for Juvenile Causes as herein defined, such child shall continue for necessary purposes of discipline and protection a ward of the Magistrate for Juvenile Causes or his successor until such child attains the age of twenty-one years. Whenever a child is brought before the Magistrate for Juvenile Causes he shall, unless in his opinion it is impracticable or inadvisable, release the child pending trial to the custody of the parent, guardian or custodian of such child, upon the written promise of such parent, guardian or custodian to bring the child before the Magistrate for Juvenile Causes at a time to be fixed by him. If not so released such child shall be taken immediately to the place of detention designated by the Magistrate for Juvenile Causes as hereinbefore provided.

373A. Whenever the Magistrate for Juvenile Causes places a child in the custody of some one other than the child's parents or other custodian or any agency or institution, the Magistrate for Juvenile Causes may, upon application, after giving the parents a reasonable opportunity to be heard, order that such parent shall pay in such manner as he may direct, such sum as will cover in whole or in part the support of such child, and if such parent shall wilfully fail or refuse to pay such sum, such parent shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction, or pleading guilty thereof may be fined not more than Fifty (\$50.00) Dollars or imprisoned in the Allegany County jail not exceeding thirty (30) days, or both fined and imprisoned. Whenever the Magistrate for Juvenile Causes shall determine that a parent or custodian of any child coming before him under the provisions of this subtitle is able to pay the costs of the proceedings against such child, and that it is proper that he should pay such costs, he or they may be required to do so.

374. Any person causing, encouraging or contributing towards the delinquency, dependency or neglect of any