

agencies, and societies, whether incorporated or not, having the legal or physical care, custody or control of one or more minors; (b) all institutions, agencies and societies, whether incorporated or not, and all individuals or sets of individuals, who act as child placement agencies, whether for adoption or otherwise; and (c) all individuals who are regularly engaged in the business of providing foster homes for minors, provided that this requirement of licensing shall not apply if the placement of the minor or minors in the foster home is being arranged and is supervised by any licensee under this sub-title, or by one of the local departments of public welfare.

In each instance the license shall be issued by the State Department of Public Welfare upon due proof of compliance with rules and regulations designed to secure the proper care of such minors, which rules and regulations the said State Board of Public Welfare is hereby authorized to establish.

In the event that any other department of the State is also empowered by law to issue a license for any of the activities mentioned herein, the State Department of Public Welfare is authorized to make cooperative arrangements with such other state department to the end that either one, but not both, will exercise the power to license, thus avoiding duplication of licensing.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1949.

Approved March 4, 1949.

CHAPTER 15

(House Bill 27)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 486 of Article 4 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland and Baltimore City Charter (1938 Edition), title "Baltimore City", sub-title "Salaries of Clerks of Courts", as said section was amended by Chapter 903 of the Acts of 1947, providing that the Trust Clerk of the Supreme Bench and the Chief Clerks of the Clerks of the Circuit Court and Circuit Court No. 2 of Baltimore City shall receive such compensation as is provided in the State Budget.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Section 486 of Article 4 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland and Baltimore City Charter (1938