- erick, Harford, Montgomery, Prince George's, St. Mary's, Talbot and Wicomico Counties, the Trial Magistrates shall have concurrent jurisdiction with the Circuit Court of each of the respective counties to try persons violating the provisions of this sub-title. And further provided, that in Allegany County the Justice of the Peace, known as the Magistrate for Juvenile Cases, shall have concurrent jurisdiction with the Circuit Court of said County to try persons violating the provisions of this sub-title and that imprisonment of offenders shall not exceed two years.
- (b) In addition to the other duties now imposed by law upon the magistrate for Juvenile Cases in Washington County, he shall have original and exclusive jurisdiction to hear, try and determine all cases involving desertion of or the wilful neglect by a husband or father to provide for the support and maintenance of his wife or minor child or children in accordance with the provisions of this Section upon a warrant or warrants issued for that purnose. Any person convicted of said charge and feeling aggrieved by the decision or any order of the Magistrate for Juvenile Cases passed pursuant to the authority vested in him as above set forth may at any time prior to the beginning of the next jury term of the Circuit Court for Washington County, appeal therefrom to the said Circuit Court for Washington County, upon posting bond for his appearance at the ensuing term of said court, in such penal sum as the Magistrate for Juvenile Cases may determine, executed by the party requesting said appeal, with or without surety, in the discretion of said Magistrate. The State's Attorney for Washington County may also enter an appeal to the Circuit Court for Washington County on behalf of the State of Maryland in any case coming within the provisions of this Section at any time that he feels that the interest of justice may so require. The pendency of any such appeal or application therefor shall not suspend the order of the Magistrate for Juvenile Cases unless specifically so ordered by the Judges of the Circuit Court for Washington County and the judgment or order of the said Magistrate for Juvenile Cases shall be final unless reversed, revised or modified by the Circuit Court for Washington County upon appeal.
- SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That this act is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety and having been passed by a yea and nay vote, supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the