

*in whole or in part to the person or institution having custody of the minor child or children.*

(c) Provided that in Anne Arundel, Carroll, Cecil, Charles, Dorchester, Frederick, 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 for said County to try persons violating the provisions of this sub-title and that imprisonment of offenders shall not exceed two years.

90. The State's Attorney for the City of Baltimore, in addition to the powers and authority heretofore vested in him by law, shall be empowered upon personal knowledge, complaint or information that any person has deserted or failed to provide for the support and maintenance of his wife, *or that any parent has deserted or failed to provide for the support and maintenance of his or her minor child or children*, to require witnesses other than the person accused or to be accused to appear before him, the Deputy State's Attorney or any Assistant State's Attorney, for such examination of witnesses as may be deemed necessary.

Provided the State's Attorney has reason to believe it to be in the interest of the public that an investigation or inquiry be made with a view to the filing of any information to the Criminal Court of Baltimore, such as hereinafter provided.

91. (a) After examination or inquiry shall have been made and completed as provided for herein, the State's Attorney may file an Information in the Criminal Court of Baltimore against the person under investigation charging him with *the* offense [or offenses] of desertion and failing to support his wife, [or child or both,] *or against the parent under investigation charging him or her with the offense of desertion and failing to support his or her minor child*, as the facts may warrant.

(b) And the Court before whom such information shall have been made is hereupon empowered, upon the written consent of the person complained of *as having deserted and failed to support his wife*, to pass an order which shall be subject to change by it, from time to time, as the cir-