

tempt by a fine not exceeding in any case the sum of twenty dollars.

245B. (Payment of Expenses.) The County Commissioners of Garrett County shall make all levies and appropriations necessary to provide for the payment of the fees, expenses and costs properly incurred under this sub-title.

245C. (Declaration of Intent.) The purpose of this sub-title is to secure for each child coming within the jurisdiction of the Judge such care, guidance, and control, preferably in his own home, as will best serve the child's welfare and the interests of the State; to conserve and strengthen the child's family ties whenever possible, removing him from custody of his parents only when his welfare or the safety and protection of the public cannot otherwise adequately be safeguarded. This sub-title shall be liberally construed to accomplish these purposes.

245D. (Separability Clause.) If any section or sub-section of this sub-title shall be held invalid, such holding shall not affect any other section or sub-section of this sub-title, it being the intention of the General Assembly in enacting this sub-title to enact each section and each sub-section separately; and if any proviso or exception contained in any section or sub-section of this sub-title shall be held to be invalid, such holding shall not affect the remaining portion of such section or sub-section, it being the intention of the General Assembly to enact each section and sub-section of the sub-title and each proviso and exception thereto separately.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1953.*

Approved April 6, 1953.

CHAPTER 266

(Senate Bill 135)

AN ACT to add a new sub-section to Section 278 of Article 66C of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1951 Edition),

EXPLANATION: *Italics indicate new matter added to existing law.*

[Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.

CAPITALS indicate amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken out of bill.