

of the year eighteen hundred and forty-nine chapter three hundred and seventy-four, be and the same be hereby extended to and declared to be in full force in the several counties of this State and in relation to minors therein; the justices of the peace of said counties respectively being hereby empowered to act as to minors as aforesaid in the counties, as justices of the peace for the city of Baltimore, may under said provisions act in relation to minors in the city of Baltimore.

Sum appropriated.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That the yearly sum of ten thousand dollars for each of five successive years to begin on and be computed from the day of the passage of this act, be and the same is hereby appropriated out of any unappropriated monies in the treasury, for the aid and benefit and support of the House of Refuge.

Treasurer to pay.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted*, That the treasurer of the State shall upon the warrants of the Comptroller of the Treasury department, pay to the managers of the House of Refuge, or as they shall order and direct, the yearly sums aforesaid so appropriated, and in equal instalments of twenty-five hundred dollars each at the end of every three months from and after the day of the passage of this act during the five successive years aforesaid.

To take effect.  
Proviso.

SEC. 5. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall take effect from the passage thereof; *Provided however*, that this act be accepted by said managers, or by those attending a meeting of them called to consider as to the said acceptance, which acceptance shall take place within sixty days from the passage of this act and shall be evidenced by a certificate of the fact of acceptance, signed by the president and secretary of the House of Refuge, or of the board of managers, and transmitted to the Governor to be filed and recorded in the Executive Chambers.

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