

## CHAPTER 606

## (Senate Bill 471)

AN ACT to add new Section 276A to the Charter and Public Local Laws of Baltimore City (1949 Edition, being Article 4 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland), title "Baltimore City", sub-title "Probation and Suspension of Sentence", sub-heading "Probation Department", to follow immediately after Section 276 thereof, relating to disposition of unclaimed funds in the account of the Probation Department of the Supreme Bench of Baltimore City, and matters generally related thereto.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That new Section 276A be and the same is hereby added to the Charter and Public Local Laws of Baltimore City (1949 Edition, being Article 4 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland), title "Baltimore City", sub-title "Probation and Suspension of Sentence", sub-heading "Probation Department", to follow immediately after Section 276 thereof, and to read as follows:

*276A. The Chief Judge of the Supreme Bench of Baltimore City shall have power to require that any funds or bonds in the custody of the Probation Department of the Supreme Bench received for restitution or for the support of a wife, child or poor relative or for collateral and which for a period of two years or more after the legal expiration of the case shall have remained unclaimed or unidentified or two years after the receipt of unidentifiable funds shall, after diligent effort has been made to locate the person entitled to such funds, OR THE PERSON WHO PAID THE FUNDS INTO THE CUSTODY OF THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT, be deposited with the Treasurer of Baltimore City whose duty it shall be to receive such funds and to hold them for a period of three years. Should any SUCH claimant within three years ~~thereafter~~ AFTER SAID MONIES HAVE BEEN RECEIVED BY THE TREASURER prove to the satisfaction of the Chief Judge of the Supreme Bench his legal and just claim to any part of such funds, the Chief Judge may by proper order require that repayment shall be made by the Treasurer to such claimant as specified in such order. It shall be the duty of the Clerk of the Supreme Bench to issue a certificate under the official seal of the court embodying the terms and provisions of such order and to transmit the same to the Treasurer, which certificate shall constitute the latter's authority for making such repayment. After the lapse of such three year period all such funds remaining in the custody of the Treasurer shall be credited to the general funds of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore.*

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the intent of this Act is to empower the Chief Judge of the Supreme Bench of Baltimore City to order the disposition of unclaimed or unidentified funds and bonds now in the hands of the Probation Department of the Supreme Bench as well as in the future, in accordance with the provisions of Section 1 of this Act.

**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.