

ation, maintenance, and medical care shall be paid by said woman or her relatives or friends, or from any fund that is available for the hospital expenses of such inmate within the institution, or, if not otherwise available, shall be a charge upon the county, city, or town from which such inmate was committed [to such institution], and collectible by such officer in charge of such institution. Upon proof being furnished by the father or other relatives of their ability properly to care for and maintain such child, the Department may order that the child be given into the care and custody of the father or other relative, who shall thereafter care for and maintain the same as his or her own expense until the release of the mother of such child or until such child shall have been duly adopted as provided by law. If it shall appear that the father or other relative is unable properly to care for and maintain such child, the Department of Correction shall place the child in the care of the Department of Public Welfare of the county or Baltimore City from which said inmate was committed as a proper charge upon such county or Baltimore City.

## 700A.

(a) The Department of Correction is authorized and directed to establish a "work release" program under which prisoners sentenced to [an institution under] the jurisdiction of said Department may be granted the privilege of leaving actual confinement during necessary and reasonable hours for the purpose of working at gainful private employment in this State. Such program may also include, under appropriate conditions, release for the purpose of seeking such employment.

## 701.

For the purpose of increasing the efficiency in the treatment, management, and rehabilitation of persons [committed to] *confined in any of* the institutions under the control of the Department of Correction, there shall be full and complete interchange between the Department of Correction and the Department of Parole and Probation of records and all pertinent information relating to each of the persons so [committed] *confined*. It is the duty of said departments to provide the procedures and methods for the interchange of the records and information as required by this section.

## 702.

It is lawful for the Department of Correction on such terms and conditions as it may prescribe to receive into custody any person who is sentenced to [imprisonment in the institutions under] its jurisdiction by the court of the United States for the District of Maryland, and any person who is sentenced to imprisonment by the courts of the United States for the District of Maryland, while in such institutions, is subject to the same rules and discipline to which other inmates from the State courts are subjected.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That all laws or parts of laws, public general or public local, inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed to the extent of any such inconsistency.