

Children," "Boarding Care for Children," "Prohibited Acts," and "Old Age Assistance"; and Sections 12 and 17 of Article 89C, title "Support of Dependents," subtitle "Civil Enforcement," be and they are hereby repealed or repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, and all to read as follows:

ARTICLE 16

CHANCERY

74.

(h) The State Department of [Public Welfare] *Social Services* or its local unit within the jurisdiction of the court, in any condition of fact not hereinbefore covered.

Any consent obtained under the provisions of this section may be revoked and cancelled at any time before final decree, but not after a guardianship decree under Section 72 above, if one be had, or not after an interlocutory decree, if one be had.

Minority of a natural parent shall not place such parent under a disability in adoption or guardianship with the right to consent to adoption proceedings and such parent, if he has attained the age of eighteen (18) years, may give a valid consent to adoption or guardianship with the right to consent to adoption and/or join as a party in such proceedings and shall be considered sui juris and no adoption or guardianship with right to consent to adoption shall be invalidated because of the minority of a natural parent.

ARTICLE 26

JUVENILE CAUSES

59.

Unless and until provision shall be made for a temporary detention home for children coming under the jurisdiction of the court, the judge may arrange for the care and custody of such children temporarily by the [county welfare board] *local department of social services*, or other institution, agency or person.

ARTICLE 27

CRIMES AND PUNISHMENTS

11A.

(b) Wherever used in this section, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

1. "Health practitioner" includes any physician, surgeon, dentist and other persons authorized to engage in the practice of healing, any resident or intern in any of these professions, and any registered or licensed practical nurse attending or treating a child in the absence of a practitioner of any of these professions.

2. "Child" means any person under the age of sixteen (16) years.

3. "Local department of [welfare] *social services*" and "local State's attorney" [have the meaning stated in subsection (g) of this section] *refer to the jurisdiction in which the child lives.*