

(f) *The judgment or order of commitment by a court of competent jurisdiction of another State, or of the District of Columbia, committing a person to the Veterans' Administration or other agency of the United States Government for care or treatment shall have the same force and effect as to the committed person while in this State as in the jurisdiction in which is situated the court entering the judgment or making the order; and the courts of the committing State, or of the District of Columbia, shall be deemed to have retained jurisdiction of the person so committed for the purpose of inquiring into the mental condition of such person, and of determining the necessity for continuance of his restraint. Consent is hereby given to the application of the law of the committing State or District in respect to the authority of the Chief Officer of any hospital of the Veterans' Administration, or of any institution operated in this State by any other agency of the United States to retain custody, or to transfer, parole or discharge, the committed person.*

(g) *Upon receipt of a certificate of the Veterans' Administration or such other agency of the United States that facilities are available for the care or treatment of any person heretofore committed to any facility for the mentally ill or other institution for the care of or treatment of persons similarly afflicted and that such person is eligible for care or treatment, the superintendent of the facility may cause the transfer of such person to the Veterans' Administration or other agency of the United States for care or treatment. Upon effecting any such transfer, the committing court or proper officer thereof shall be notified thereof by the transferring agency. No person shall be transferred to the Veterans' Administration or other agency of the United States if he be confined pursuant to conviction of any felony or misdemeanor or if he has been acquitted of the charge solely on the ground of insanity, unless prior to the transfer the court or other authority originally committing such person shall enter an order for such transfer after appropriate motion and hearing.*

(h) *Any person transferred as provided in subsections (d), (f) and (g) shall be deemed to be committed to the Veterans' Administration or other agency of the United States pursuant to the original commitment.*

(i) *The provisions of subsections (d), (f) and (g) shall apply to nonresidents of this State as well as residents thereof found within this State or on any federal reservation within the exterior boundaries thereof.*

18. *Administrative Release.*

(a) *At the direction of the Commissioner, his authorized representative, or the superintendent of any facility, any patient not detained pursuant to the provisions of Sections 23, 24 or 27 of this Article, may be released from any facility, if, in the judgment of such official, the patient is not mentally disordered; or if mentally disordered, is not, for the protection of himself or others in need of inpatient medical care or treatment. At the direction of the chief officer of a Veterans' Administration Hospital, any patient meeting the requirements of this subsection, and subject to the conditions of this subsection, may be released from such hospital.*