

in Baltimore County a juvenile probationary school to be headed by a director and five assistants to be appointed by the Governor by and with the advice and consent of the Senate. Said director and his assistants shall hold office for a term of four (4) years, the director to receive an annual salary of three thousand dollars (\$3,000.00) and the assistants to receive an annual salary of twenty-five hundred dollars (\$2,500.00) each.

In addition to the salaries above provided, Baltimore County shall levy a sum sufficient to pay reasonable office expenses to include clerical, stenographic, rental and equipment expenses. The director shall designate the location of his office in Baltimore County.

(b) Persons for whom school established.—Said director and his assistants shall establish a school for persons under 21 years of age who are placed on probation before verdict in connection with any charge for violation of any of the motor vehicle laws of the State or any criminal law whether State or local, over which the District Court has jurisdiction, when referred by a judge of the District Court or such other judicial officer as may be authorized by any provision of this Code in Baltimore County.

(c) Class attendance requirements; classroom locations.—All such probationers shall be required to attend the school regularly for a series of sessions not to exceed ten (10) in number. Classes shall be held in such of the District courtrooms or other areas in Baltimore County as may be designated by the director. The director shall, as far as is practical, designate locations of schools on a geographic distribution throughout the county.

(d) Course subjects.—The school shall include but not be limited to courses in driver safety, civic responsibility, America and its heritage, and the ramifications present and future of violating the laws of the State, both as to the individual and the community.

(e) Rules and regulations; utilization of volunteer services.—The school shall be operated pursuant to the rules and regulations as promulgated by the director and shall deliver such courses of study as deemed necessary by the director and his assistants. The school may utilize any and all volunteer services of the State, the county or any of her citizens.

(f) Failure of probationer to attend school.—Failure of any probationer to attend said school as directed, without reasonable cause, shall be considered violation of probation and shall be a misdemeanor. Upon conviction thereof, the defendant shall be liable to a fine not to exceed one hundred dollars (\$100.00).

(f)(G) Existing probationary schools.—The provisions of this section shall in no way prohibit the probationary schools which have been established and are being conducted on a voluntary basis in Baltimore County; provided, however, that any such voluntary school shall comply with the minimum standards as established by the director.

(h) Credit toward drivers' education program.—Attendance at these sessions shall be credited toward the drivers' education program of the State of Maryland.