released from custody. If the court finds that a petition for emergency admission under this section falls within the coverage of § 13-709 of the Estates and Trusts Article, it shall treat the petition as if it were a petition for an order for emergency protective services under that section and shall conduct the proceedings and make findings in accordance with that section.

Article 59A - Mental Retardation

12A.

- (a) As used in this section, the following words have the meanings indicated:
- (1) "Abuse" means any physical injury, sexual abuse, or inhumane treatment sustained by a patient of a facility. It does not include the performance of accepted medical procedures ordered by a licensed physician or accepted behaviorial procedures ordered by a [certified] LICENSED psychologist.

Article 64A - Merit System

37.

(a) (2) Any employee using less than full vacation leave allowable beginning January 1, 1942, shall be entitled to have such unused leave accumulated up to 35 working days, which shall be available to such employee for vacation leave at any time, with the approval of the head of the department. In addition to annual vacation leave, any employee is entitled to sick leave with pay for not in excess of 30 working days in any calendar year, and from and after January 1, 1975, in addition to such annual vacation leave, any employee shall be entitled to sick leave with pay for not in excess of 15 working days in any calendar year; provided, however, that if any employee in any calendar year uses less than the full amount of sick leave allowable, such unused leave shall be accumulated and shall be available such employee for sick leave at any time. Nothing in this section may cause an employee to lose any sick leave accumulated as of December 31, 1974. Before receiving any pay for the period of absence, an employee using three or more consecutive working days sick leave in any 30-day period shall present an original certificate signed by any of the following licensed medical personally physical therapist, CLINICAL providers: physician, or oral surgeon, or by any of the PSYCHOLOGIST, dentist, providers: following certified medical [clinical psychologist,] chiropractor or podiatrist, or by an accredited Christian Science practitioner. The Secretary of the Department of Personnel may advance up to 60 days of sick leave to an employee in any calendar year for a serious disability, ailment or illness.