

SHALL transport the person to an appropriate medical facility which shall immediately notify the next of kin and the director. This medical care may not be rendered in a State mental hospital other than, in an appropriate case, the Walter P. Carter Community Mental Health and Retardation Center and the Highland Health Facility unless authorized by the courts in a civil commitment proceeding. The director shall file a petition pursuant to subsection (b) below within 24 hours after the transfer of the person has taken place. The court shall hold a hearing on the petition and render its decision within 48 hours after the transfer has occurred.

(c) In issuing an emergency order, the court shall adhere to the following limitations:

(5) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraphs (3) and (4) above, the court may extend the terms of the emergency order and the appointment of the temporary guardian until appointment of a guardian of the person pursuant to § 13-705, upon petition of the temporary guardian, the director, or the State Director on Aging, as appropriate, and after a showing that the conditions found to exist in subsection (b) above will probably continue beyond the expiration of the extended emergency order. Such petition shall be filed before the expiration of the six-day period provided for in paragraph (3) above and shall be accompanied by a petition for appointment of a guardian of the person pursuant to § 13-705. Such petition for appointment of a guardian of the person shall be heard on an expedited basis[;] NO MORE THAN 60 DAYS AFTER THE FILING OF THE PETITION.

Article 88A - Social Services Administration

109.

(a) The director may, or upon the request of any person entitled to be a guardian, shall investigate fully each report that an adult [individual] is unable to provide for his daily needs sufficiently to protect his health or safety. IF, IN THE COURSE OF THE INVESTIGATION, A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE LOCAL DEPARTMENT BELIEVES THAT AN EMERGENCY EXISTS, THE REPRESENTATIVE MAY CONTACT THE LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY. THE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER SHALL ACCOMPANY THE REPRESENTATIVE, AND, IF THE OFFICER AGREES THAT AN EMERGENCY EXISTS, AS DESCRIBED IN § 13-709(A) OF THE ESTATES AND TRUSTS ARTICLE, THE OFFICER SHALL TRANSPORT THE PERSON TO AN APPROPRIATE HEALTH CARE FACILITY AS PROVIDED IN § 13-709(A) OF THE ESTATES AND TRUSTS ARTICLE.

110.

(f) The Disabled Persons Review Board shall review each guardianship held by [the director or Director of the