

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings

3-820.

(b) The priorities in making a disposition are the public safety and a program of treatment, training, and rehabilitation best suited to the physical, mental, and moral welfare of the child consistent with the public interest.

(c) (1) In making a disposition on a petition, the court may:

[(1)] (I) Place the child on probation or under supervision in his own home or in the custody or under the guardianship of a relative or other fit person, upon terms the court deems appropriate;

(2)--Commit (II) SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, COMMIT the child to the custody or under the guardianship of the Juvenile Services Administration, a local department of social services, the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, or a public or licensed private agency ON TERMS THAT THE COURT CONSIDERS APPROPRIATE TO MEET THE PRIORITIES SET FORTH IN SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, INCLUDING DESIGNATION OF -A- THE TYPE OF FACILITY WHERE THE CHILD IS TO BE ACCOMMODATED, UNTIL CUSTODY OR GUARDIANSHIP IS TERMINATED WITH APPROVAL OF THE COURT OR AS REQUIRED UNDER § 3-825 OF THIS SUBTITLE; or

[(3)] (III) Order the child, parents, guardian, or custodian of the child to participate in rehabilitative services that are in the best interest of the child and the family.

(2) A CHILD COMMITTED UNDER PARAGRAPH (1)(II) OF THIS SUBSECTION MAY NOT BE ACCOMMODATED IN A FACILITY THAT HAS REACHED BUDGETED CAPACITY IF A BED IS AVAILABLE IN ANOTHER COMPARABLE FACILITY IN THE STATE, UNLESS THE PLACEMENT TO THE FACILITY THAT HAS REACHED BUDGETED CAPACITY HAS BEEN RECOMMENDED BY THE JUVENILE SERVICES ADMINISTRATION.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1986.

Approved May 27, 1986.

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