

An. Code, sec. 629J. 1917, ch. 15, sec. 629J.

675. Neither the provisions of this Act nor of Chapter 556 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland of 1916 shall apply to the Baltimore City Jail.¹

An. Code, sec. 630. 1916, ch. 556, sec. 630. 1918, ch. 354, sec. 630.

676. The said Board shall establish and maintain a system of labor for prisoners to supersede the present system of contract labor in the Maryland Penitentiary and the Maryland House of Correction, as soon as it shall deem the same expedient and proper; and the Board is hereby vested with all power and authority necessary to that end and to put such system of prison labor when established into operation and effect. The said Board shall have power and authority to place prisoners at labor upon State works wherever in the judgment of said Board the same shall be expedient and proper, upon such terms as to it shall seem wise. The said Board is hereby directed to provide, whenever in its judgment the same may be expedient, such form of labor as will offer an opportunity to prisoners to earn a surplus over the cost of their maintenance to the State, and said Board shall further provide in its discretion for the payment of any surplus so earned, to the prisoner earning the same, or to such person or persons as he may direct.

Acts of 1916, ch. 556, and of 1918, ch. 354, held valid and not to impair obligation of a contract for convict labor made prior to their adoption. Specific performance; injunction. Nature and scope of police power. Cases reviewed. *Jones Hollow Ware Co. v. State Rds. Comn.*, 134 Md. 104.

See sec. 712, *et seq.* and art. 91, sec. 39.

An. Code, sec. 631. 1916, ch. 556, sec. 631.

677. The said Board shall have the control and management of the financial affairs of the said institutions, and no bill against any of said institutions shall be paid until it has been approved by said Board and certified by the Chairman. The said Board shall make or direct to be made all purchases of supplies, including fuel, food, clothing, hospital stores, bedding, furniture and all other articles necessary for the use of said institutions or any of them; provided, that no contract for yearly supplies shall be made by them unless they shall have first given one week's public notice in some one of the daily papers of Baltimore City, inviting proposals and setting forth the quantity and quality of supplies required, and the time within which proposals for such supplies shall be made, and they shall accept such proposals as in their opinion, under all the circumstances, may be most advantageous to the institutions under their control.

Sec. 556, Code of 1904, referred to in deciding that ejection might be brought against warden of penitentiary, he being in actual personal occupancy of the premises. *Weyler v. Gibson*, 110 Md. 655 (decided prior to act, 1914, ch. 133).

¹ While the title of act of 1917, ch. 15, states that it is an act to add *nine* additional sections to art. 27 of the Code, it also states that such additional sections are to be known as secs. 629A to 629J, inclusive. The enacting clause of ch. 15, however, repeats the reference to nine additional sections, but omits any reference to sec. 629J.