

designated by said person authorized to issue said certificate, certifying that he has examined said child and that in his opinion said child is of the age of fourteen years or upward, together with the affidavit of the parent, guardian, legal custodian or next friend of such child that such child is above the age of fourteen years.

(2) A statement from a regular physician designated as above, certifying that he has examined said child, and that in his opinion said child is physically able to undertake the work which said certificate is to be issued.¹

An. Code, sec. 16. 1912, ch. 731, sec. 16. 1916, ch. 222, sec. 16.

17. All employment certificates shall be issued on forms supplied by the Commissioner of Labor and Statistics. All certificates issued in Baltimore City shall be in duplicate and one copy shall be retained in the files of said Commissioner for the period of four years from the date of issue. All certificates issued in any of the counties of Maryland shall be made out in duplicate and one copy shall be delivered by the person issuing said certificate to the Commissioner of Labor and Statistics and shall be preserved in the files of said Commissioner for the period of four years from the date of said issue; and the person issuing said certificate in any of the said counties, shall also make a record of each application for any employment certificate upon blanks furnished by said Commissioner, and shall preserve same for a period of four years from the date of application. Whenever a certificate shall be refused to any child, a statement of the name and address of said child, together with the reasons for the refusal of said certificate and the school which said child should attend, shall be forwarded by the person refusing to issue said certificate to the county superintendent of schools of the county in which said child resides, if the child resides in one of the counties of this State, and to the Commissioner of Labor and Statistics, and said statements shall be placed on file and preserved until such time as such child, if living, shall have reached the full age of sixteen years. All employment certificates shall also contain the name and address of the prospective employer and the nature of the occupation in which said child is to be engaged, and no certificates shall be valid excepting in the hands of the employer so named and for the occupation so described.

An. Code, sec. 17. 1912, ch. 731, sec. 17.

18. The school record required by this sub-title shall be filled out and signed by the principal or chief executive officer of the school which such child has last attended and shall be furnished to a child who after due examination and investigation may be entitled thereto; it shall contain a statement certifying that the child has regularly attended the public schools or private or parochial schools for not less than such a minimum period of attendance as is now or may hereafter be prescribed by law during any period of twelve months after such child shall have arrived at the age of thirteen years and that such child is able to read intelligently and write legibly simple sentences in the English language, and has completed a course of study equivalent to five yearly grades in reading, spelling, writing

¹ See foot-note to sec. 5.