

midwives and undertakers who have been registered in his district during the whole or any part of the preceding calendar year; provided, that no fee or other compensation shall be charged by local registrars to physicians, midwives or undertakers for registering their names under this section or making return thereof to the State Registrar.

All superintendents or managers or other persons in charge of hospitals, almshouses, lying-in or other institutions, public or private, to which persons resort for treatment of diseases or are confined or are committed by process of law are hereby required to make record of all the personal and statistical particulars relative to the inmates in their institutions on April 13, 1914, that are required in the forms or the certificates provided for in sections 16, 18-20, 22-25 and 29, as directed by the State Registrar, and thereafter such record shall be by them made for all future inmates at the time of their admission. And in case of persons admitted or committed for medical treatment of disease the physician in charge shall specify for entry in the record the nature of the disease and where, in his opinion, it was contracted. The personal particulars and information required by this section shall be obtained from the individual himself if it is practicable to do so, and when they cannot be so obtained they shall be secured in as complete a manner as possible from relatives, friends or other persons acquainted with the facts.

This section referred to in upholding validity of sec. 422—see notes thereto. *Keiningham v. Blake*, 135 Md. 321.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 31. 1912, sec. 21A. 1912, ch. 696, sec. 19A.

**30.** The chief of the Bureau of Vital Statistics shall be assistant State registrar of vital statistics.

#### **Miscellaneous Provisions.**

1939, ch. 587.

**31.** No person shall bring into the State of Maryland or offer for sale, sell, give away or breed within the limits of this State, parrots, parakeets, love birds, macaws, cockatoos, lorries, lorikeets and other birds of the psittacine family; provided that under such rules and regulations as the State Board of Health may duly pass, zoological gardens operated under public authority or laboratories, in which scientific research is being carried out, and any persons who breed psittacine birds for non-commercial purposes, may receive or import birds of the psittacine family. All birds having psittacosis or which are suspected of being carriers of psittacosis virus, and all birds of a psittacine family exposed to a bird having psittacosis or found or harbored on the same premises where infection with psittacosis virus is discovered or suspected, shall be immediately destroyed, under such rules and regulations as the State Board of Health may pass to carry out the purposes of this section; provided that, insofar as this Section prohibits the selling or giving away of birds of the psittacine family, it shall not apply to such birds in the possession of dealers thereof on June 1, 1939. Any person violating any of the provisions of this Section, or any order or regulation of the State Board of Health lawfully made pursuant thereto, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be subject to a fine of not more than fifty dollars (\$50) for each offense.