

State Penitentiary—Convicts.

1892, ch. 273.

424 A. In every prison in this State, to which persons convicted of any felonious offense are or may be committed by the courts of this State, the warden or other officer in charge shall record or cause to be recorded in a record kept for that purpose, a description of every person committed to such prison under a sentence for a felony, and also the criminal history of every such person so committed, as far as the same may appear from the records of the courts of this State or of any other State or otherwise, as full and complete as may be obtainable, and shall attach thereto a photograph or photographs of such person so recorded.

Ibid.

424 B. For the purpose mentioned in the next preceding section, the State's attorney of the county or city in which a criminal has been convicted and sentenced to prison for a felony, shall forward to the warden or other officer in charge at the request of such warden or other officer, and upon blanks furnished by him, a criminal history of such criminal as fully as is known, or can be ascertained by such State's attorney.

Ibid.

424 c. The register herein provided for shall not be made public, except as may be necessary in the identification of persons accused of crime and in the trial of offenses committed after having been imprisoned for a prior offense. The record shall be accessible, however, to any officer of any court having criminal jurisdiction in this State, upon the order of the judge of the court, or of the State's attorney of the county or city in which the person is being held for a crime, which said order shall be attested by the seal of the court, and any such record may be given in evidence upon any trial of any offender indicted under the habitual criminal law of this State for the purpose of proving a former conviction or convictions, and the offense or offenses for which convicted.