

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.

1892, ch. 273, sec. 424 c.

**586.** 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.

Ibid. sec. 424 D.

**587.** For the purpose of obtaining accurate descriptions of criminal convicts, the warden or other officers in charge of the several prisons in this State are hereby authorized to adopt the Bertillon method of measurement and registration or such other method as shall minutely describe convicts.

Ibid. sec. 424 E.

**588.** A copy of the description and of the history and of the photograph or photographs of any convict entered upon such record or register shall be furnished upon the request of any warden or other officer in charge of a prison for felons in any other State of the United States to such warden or other officer in charge, provided such State has made provision by law for requiring the descriptions of its criminals convicted and for furnishing such descriptions to the authorities of such other States as have made provisions by law for the keeping of registries of descriptions and history of their convicts.

Ibid sec. 424 F.

**589.** A copy of the description, history and photograph or photographs of any convict entered upon such records shall be furnished to any officer of the bureau of police in the cities