

herein authorized or an attendance officer of the public schools any employment permit or list required by these provisions shall be *prima facie* evidence of illegal employment of any person whose employment permit is not produced, or whose name is not so listed. Any corporation or employer retaining any employment permit in violation of these provisions shall be fined ten (\$10) dollars. Every person authorized to sign the employment permit prescribed in this act who knowingly certifies to any materially false statement therein shall be fined not more than fifty (\$50) dollars. The chief of the Maryland bureau of statistics and information or any member of the board of health or principal health officer of any county or city outside of Baltimore city is hereby authorized to sign the employment permit mentioned herein and to administer the necessary oath without cost to the applicant.

1906, ch. 192.

10. The inspectors herein authorized and the attendance officers of the public schools may visit any office, establishment or place of business contemplated by this act throughout the State of Maryland and city of Baltimore and ascertain whether any minors are employed therein contrary to these provisions, and they shall report any cases of such illegal employment or other violations of this sub-title to the justice of the peace having criminal jurisdiction in the locality where such illegal employment or other violations of these occur, and which justices of the peace shall have full authority to try and determine all cases arising under this sub-title. Inspectors herein authorized and the attendance officers of the public schools may require that the employment permits and lists herein provided for minors employed in any such office, establishment or business shall be produced for their inspection. They shall also be authorized to require a birth certificate or other record evidence of the date of birth of any child, which they have reason to believe is being employed contrary to these provisions to be produced by either parents, guardian or custodian of said child, and in the absence of such record evidence of the date of birth of such child, they may require an affidavit from either parent, guardian or custodian of such child as to its age, name, place and date of birth.