

31 of Article 30 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition), title "Deaf, Dumb and Blind", sub-title "Public Assistance to the Needy Blind", be and the same are hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

12. (Definitions.) As used in this sub-title "State Department" means the State Department of Public Welfare, created under Article 88A of the Annotated Code of Maryland, and any amendments thereto or supplements thereof.

"County Board" means the County Welfare Board of the several counties in this State or the Department of Public Welfare of Baltimore City, created and existing under Article 88A of the Annotated Code of Maryland and any amendments thereto or supplements thereof.

"Applicant" means a person who has applied for public assistance under this sub-title.

"Recipient" means any person who is receiving public assistance under this sub-title.

"Public assistance" means money payments to blind persons in need as provided for in this sub-title.

13. (Duties of State Department.) The State Department shall:

(a) Supervise the administration of assistance to the needy blind under this Article by the County Boards;

(b) Make such rules and regulations and take such action as may be necessary or desirable for carrying out the provisions of this Article. All rules and regulations made by the State Department shall be binding upon the counties and shall be complied with by the respective county boards;

(c) Prescribe the form of and print and supply to the county boards such forms as it may deem necessary and advisable;

(d) Cooperate with the Federal government in matters of mutual concern pertaining to assistance to the needy blind;

(e) Make such reports in such form and containing such information, as the Federal government may, from time to time require, and comply with such provisions as the Federal government may from time to time find necessary to assure the correctness and verification of such reports;

(f) Perform such duties as are imposed upon it by Article 88A of the Annotated Code of Maryland and any amendments thereto or supplements thereof.

14. (Duties of the County Boards.) The County Boards shall:

(a) Submit annually to the County Commissioners or the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, as the case may be, after approval by the State Department, a budget containing