the State Employment Commissioner as eligible for appointment to any position, the appointing authority may consider the aforesaid conviction in determining whether such person shall be given the appointment for which an eligible list has been requested.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1943.

Approved April 1, 1943.

CHAPTER 292.

(Senate Bill 223)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 43 of Article 88A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition), title "State Department of Public Welfare," sub-title "Aid to Dependent Children."

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 43 of Article 88A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition), title "State Department of Public Welfare," sub-title "Aid to Dependent Children," be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

- Whenever a local unit receives a notification of the dependency of a child or an application for assistance, an investigation and record shall promptly be made of the circumstances to ascertain the dependency of the child or the facts supporting the application made under this subtitle, and such other information as may be required by the State Department. The investigation shall, if possible, include a visit to the home of the child, and of the person who will have the custody of the child during the time assistance is granted. Each local unit and the State Department and the officers and authorized employees thereof, shall have the power to administer oaths and affirmations, conduct examinations, subpoena witnesses, require the attendance of witnesses and the production of books. records and papers, and may make application to the Circuit Court of the County or the Superior Court of Baltimore City, to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of such books, records and papers.
- SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency law and necessary for the