

refusing or neglecting to comply with the requirements in such notice shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and be punished by a fine of not less than One or more than Ten Dollars for the first offense, and for each subsequent offense in reference to the same place or thing be fined not exceeding Twenty-five Dollars. This section not to apply to Baltimore County.

80. All questions of doubt concerning the cause or nature of any sickness believed or suspected to be of an infectious or contagious character shall be referred to the state board of health *for such disposition as it may deem proper*. [and the said board shall be authorized to employ a competent bacteriologist and assistant bacteriologist and such other employes as may be necessary to render effective the provisions of this section; to conduct inquiries into the nature, source and vehicles of infectious diseases. The services of the bacteriologist of the state board of health shall be free to all local boards of health and to all practicing physicians in the State for such inquiries concerning infectious and contagious diseases as the said board may from time to time direct, and to the state vaccine agent for testing vaccine virus; and the sum of thirty-five hundred dollars annually, or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be paid by the treasurer of the State upon the warrant of the comptroller, at such times and in such sums as may be authorized by the state board of health upon presentation of the proper vouchers for expenses.]

85. Any person who is licensed to practice midwifery on June 1, 1924, shall be entitled to a license under the provisions of this sub-title, upon the surrender of the certificate of licensure he or she now holds to the [Chief of the Bureau of Vital Statistics of the] State Board of Health.

86. (a) Any person not licensed to practice midwifery on or before July 1, 1924, who shall desire to obtain a license, shall make written application to the [Chief of the Bureau of Vital Statistics of the] State Board of Health and shall furnish a certificate of moral character and a certificate of the applicant's qualifications for licensure, provided that nothing in this sub-title shall be construed to prevent any person who is entitled to licensure under Chapter 94 of the Acts of 1912 from obtaining a license under the provisions of this sub-title, without examination, provided that any such person not licensed prior to July 1, 1924 shall make application for such license before January 1, 1925.

(b) A candidate for licensure to practice midwifery shall be licensed if, after examination by two physicians named by the