

the whole system of public and private institutions, organizations and agencies of a charitable nature in this State, including those which receive part of their income from this State, except those placed by law under the supervision of another State agency. Prior to the convening of each regular session of the General Assembly, the Department shall furnish to the Governor a report of its activities and of the condition of all charitable institutions, organizations and agencies, excepting hospitals, receiving financial aid from the State; and it shall make recommendations as to appropriations for such institutions, giving its reasons therefor as fully as may be practicable.

3A. (Misuse of Public Assistance Lists and Records.)

(1) Except in accordance with proper judicial or legislative order and except to an officer of the State, or the United States, having a right thereto in his official capacity, it shall be unlawful for any person or persons to divulge or make known in any manner the names of, the amounts paid to, or any other information concerning, persons applying for or receiving general assistance, old-age assistance, aid to the blind, [or] aid to dependent children, or aid to the *permanently and totally disabled*, directly or indirectly derived from the records, papers, files, investigations or communications of the State, county or city, or sub-divisions or agencies thereof, or acquired in the course of the performance of official duties.

12. (a) The State Department of Public Welfare shall be empowered to create or continue in each county a County Welfare Board to be known as such with the name of the county prefixed thereto, which Board shall be an administrative department of the local government. Such Boards shall have authority to administer Aid to Dependent Children, Old Age Assistance, Public Assistance to the Needy Blind, [and] General Public Assistance, *Aid to the Permanently and Totally Disabled*, Child Welfare Services and the investigation and certification of persons eligible for employment on local, State or Federal projects, or to administer any other program in the field of public welfare, and such Boards shall have authority to administer, handle and distribute commodities in accordance with the rules of the State Department of Public Welfare, as well as work relief and services to families and individuals, and the care of neglected, dependent and delinquent children, which care shall include the rendering of probation service to juvenile courts or other courts having jurisdiction over minors.