information so assembled, each inmate shall be classified and assigned to such available treatment, training, or employment as may be deemed appropriate, and to this end, the Commissioner of Correction shall exercise liberally the powers of transfer conferred by Section 690 of this article, it being intended that each prisoner sentenced to any of the penal institutions subject to the control of the Department of Correction shall be assigned or transferred, as expeditiously as possible, to such treatment, training, and employment as in the judgment of said Commissioner will improve discipline or aid in the safekeeping, treatment, training, employment, and preparation of said offender for parole or release upon the expiration of his sentence. It is the further duty of the warden or superintendent of the respective institutions, under regulations established by the Department of Correction, to keep and preserve adequate records of the conduct, effort, and progress of each inmate during confinement; and copies of the case and institutional records, or summaries thereof, shall be presented to the parole authority by the time each such inmate becomes eligible for parole and at other times when requested.

(b) For the purpose of obtaining accurate descriptions of convicts, INMATES, the warden or other person in charge of any of said institutions, may adopt the Bertillon method of measurement and registration or such other method as may minutely describe convicts. INMATES.

692.

The Commissioner of Correction shall prescribe the character of punishments for violation of discipline in the institutions of the Department, which shall be administered by the direction of the warden OR SUPERINTENDENT of each of said institutions, who shall preserve an accurate record of the character of offense committed and the nature and amount of punishment inflicted. In the Maryland Penitentiary and in the Maryland House of Correction, no corporal punishment or whipping may be inflicted except in the presence of a physician in attendance at the said institution.

693.

For the purposes mentioned in Section 691 of this section, the State's attorney of any county or city in which a person has been convicted of crime and sentenced to imprisonment in one of said

institutions, shall forward to the warden or other person in charge of the institution at the request of the warden or other person, and upon blanks furnished by him, a criminal history of such criminal as fully as it is known or can be ascertained by such State's attorney.

694.

Whenever a person is convicted of crime and sentenced to imprisonment in any of said institutions, the clerk of the court imposing the sentence shall make and forward as soon as practicable, but not later than thirty days from time of commitment, to the warden or other person in charge of the institution to which the prisoner is sentenced, a record containing a short copy of the docket entries, the name and address of the judge presiding at the trial, the State's attorney, and sheriff, and the names and addresses of the jurors and the names of the witnesses sworn on the trial, together with a state-