essential academic records of certain former students with the State Superintendent of Schools by nonpublic educational institutions of secondary school or collegiate level, when said educational institutions are discontinuing operation.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That new Section 25A be and it is hereby added to Article 77 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition and 1962 Supplement), title "Public Education," subtitle "Chapter 3. State Board of Education," to follow immediately after Section 25 of said Article, and to read as follows:

## 25A.

- (a) Prior to the discontinuance of operations of any non-public secondary school or collegiate institution, however designated, operating within the State of Maryland, including those operated by bona fide church organizations, the chief administrative officer, by whatever title designated, of any such school or institution proposing to discontinue its operations shall cause to be filed with the State Superintendent of Schools the originals or legible true copies of all essential records pertaining to the academic achievements of all former students who attended the said school during the preceding twenty-five years. Such records shall be so prepared as to present as a separate document the academic record of each such former student, and, as to secondary schools, shall provide such academic information as is customarily required by colleges when considering students for admission; and, as to collegiate institutions, shall provide such academic information as is customarily required by colleges and universities when considering students for transfer or advanced study. The State Superintendant of Schools shall maintain a permanent file of such records within the Department of Education.
- (b) Any person who wilfully fails or refuses to comply with the provisions of this section is guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, shall be punishable by a fine of not less than \$100.00 nor more than \$1,000.00 for each violation.
- SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1963.

Approved April 30, 1963.

## CHAPTER 684 (House Bill 661)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 108 (16) (b) of Article 52 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1962 Supplement), title "Justices of the Peace," subtitle "Trial Magistrates System," eliminating the requirement that the Judges of the People's Court of Prince George's County shall hold a term of Court at Capitol Heights and permitting the People's Court to sit at other places in Prince George's County.