child welfare services and to control illegitimacy, and its recommendations for their improvement, through the annual report of the State [Department] Administration to the Secretary of Employment and Social Services and the Governor prior to the convening of each [regulation] regular session of the General Assembly, as prescribed in Section 3 (g) of this article.

5.

The State Board Director is hereby authorized and empowered, SUBJECT TO THE AUTHORITY OF THE SECRETARY OF EMPLOYMENT AND SOCIAL SERVICES AS SET FORTH IN ARTICLE 41 OF THIS CODE, OR ELSEWHERE IN THE LAWS OF MARYLAND, to adopt from time to time such rules and regulations as may be necessary to carry out any of the duties imposed upon [it] him by law, and when adopted, AND AFTER APPROVAL OR REVISION THEREOF BY THE SECRETARY OF EMPLOYMENT AND SOCIAL SERVICES, such rules and regulations shall have the force and effect of law. [It] He shall likewise adopt rules and regulations covering the custody, use and preservation of the records, papers, files and communications of the State Administration and local departments concerning applicants and recipients of social services and public assistance. The use of such records, papers, files and communications by any other agency or department of government to which they may be furnished shall be limited to the purposes for which they are furnished.

14.

(c) The other members of the local board shall be appointed by the local governing authority from lists submitted by the State Department, after approval by the State Board, Administration which lists shall contain twice the number of persons to be selected. In formulating such lists, the State Department Administration shall consult with THE STATE BOARD AND the local governing authority and seek out and nominate persons with a high degree of interest, capacity and objectivity, and who in the aggregate give a county-wide representative character to the local board.

Effective July 1, 1967 members of the local board shall be appointed for three-year terms, to expire on June 30 of the respective years of expiration, or until their successors are appointed. Upon the expiration of two consecutive three-year terms the appointee shall be ineligible, for one year thereafter, for reappointment. On July 1, 1967, the six members of each local board who are serving six-year terms shall continue in office until June 30 of the respective years of expiration of their terms and they shall be ineligible, for one year thereafter, for reappointment. Effective July 1, 1967 a new member shall be added to each local board and effective July 1, 1968 another new member shall be added to each local board, each appointed for a three-year term as hereinabove provided. Any vacancy occurring for any reason during any six-year term or any three-year term, as the case may be, shall be filled by appointment for the remainder of the unexpired term.

(d) Any member of any of the local boards who shall fail to attend at least fifty percent of its meetings during any period of twelve consecutive months may be considered to have resigned, and the chairman of the board shall forward or cause to be forwarded