

Article 88A - Social Services Administration  
Section 5A  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1969 Replacement Volume and 1974 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section 5A of Article 88A - Social Services Administration, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1969 Replacement Volume and 1974 Supplement) be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

Article 88A - Social Services Administration

5A.

The State Department shall establish a central registry of records containing all available identifying information of parents who have deserted or appear to have deserted, children [who], WHETHER OR NOT THE CHILDREN are likely, or liable to be, recipients of public assistance or foster care. To effectuate the purposes of this section, the State Department may request and shall receive from departments, boards, bureaus, commissions, and other agencies of the State or any of its political subdivisions, and the same are authorized to provide, such information, assistance and data as will enable the State Department OR THE STATE'S ATTORNEY OF THE JURISDICTION INVOLVED to locate these deserting or absent parents and to enforce their liability for the support of their children. Any records established pursuant to the provisions of this section shall be available only to authorized representatives of the State and local departments, and other persons having a right thereto in their official capacity.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1975.

Approved April 22, 1975.

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CHAPTER 341

(Senate Bill 622)

AN ACT concerning