

section, the State [Department] ADMINISTRATION 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] THE information, assistance and data [as] THAT will enable the State [Department] ADMINISTRATION 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] TO THE RECORDS in their official [capacity] CAPACITIES.

13.

(c) The local director in each county [and in], INCLUDING Baltimore City shall administer WITHIN HIS RESPECTIVE COUNTY social service and public assistance activities [within the counties and Baltimore City, respectively], EXCEPT CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT, in accordance with [the provisions of] § 3 of this article. Each local director has a general administrative responsibility to the State [Department] ADMINISTRATION. Specifically, by way of example and not in limitation, each local director has the following basic responsibilities:

(1) Long-range and short-range planning for the functions and objectives of the respective local department;

(2) Exercise of full administrative responsibility for the operations of the respective local department;

(3) Appointment of all personnel of the respective local department in the county involved, from State merit system lists under the provisions of Article 64A of this Code;

(4) Improvement of administrative and social-work practices and procedures;

(5) Submission of periodic reports and evaluations as required by the State [Department; and] ADMINISTRATION;

(6) Submission of an annual report to the local board of the respective local department in the counties and to the local commission of the local department in Baltimore City[.]; AND

[All local directors shall have such other] (7) OTHER responsibilities as may from time to time be required [of them] by the State [Department] ADMINISTRATION or by other applicable laws, rules and