(I) THE APPROPRIATE STATE OR LOCAL AGENCY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE LICENSURE, REGISTRATION, OR CERTIFICATION OF THE EMPLOYER'S FACILITY: AND

(II) THE EMPLOYER.

(E) (1) EXCEPT IN THE CASE WHERE A PERSON WHO IS THE SUBJECT OF AN OUTSTANDING ARREST WARRANT OR CRIMINAL SUMMONS HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED, ALL INFORMATION OBTAINED BY THE DEPARTMENT REGARDING ANY CRIMINAL CHARGES AND THEIR DISPOSITION-:-

(1)--SHALL-BE-CONFIDENTIAL;

- (2) MAY NOT BE TRANSMITTED OUTSIDE THE DEPARTMENT, EXCEPT AS EXPRESSLY AUTHORIZED UNDER THIS PART VI; -AND.
- (3)--MAY-NOT-BE--TRANSMITTED--TO--ANYONE--WITHIN--THE DEPARTMENT--EXCEPT--AS--NEEDED--FOR-THE-PURPOSE-OF-EVALUATING-THE APPLICATION:
- (2) INFORMATION OBTAINED BY THE EMPLOYER FROM THE DEPARTMENT UNDER THIS PART VI SHALL BE CONFIDENTIAL.

 5-565.
- (A) IN CONFORMITY WITH THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURES, AN INDIVIDUAL MAY CONTEST THE FINDING OF A CRIMINAL CONVICTION OR PENDING CHARGE REPORTED IN A PRINTED STATEMENT.
- (B) IN CONTESTING THE FINDING OF A CONVICTION OR A PENDING CHARGE, THE INDIVIDUAL SHALL CONTACT THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY, OR A DESIGNEE OF THE SECRETARY, AND A HEARING SHALL BE CONVENED WITHIN 20 WORKDAYS, UNLESS SUBSEQUENTLY WAIVED BY THE INDIVIDUAL. THE SECRETARY, OR A DESIGNEE OF THE SECRETARY, SHALL RENDER A DECISION REGARDING THE APPEAL WITHIN 5 WORKDAYS OF THE HEARING.
- (C) FOR PURPOSES OF THIS PART VI, THE RECORD OF A CONVICTION FOR A CRIME IDENTIFIED IN § 5-564 OF THIS PART VI, OR A COPY THEREOF CERTIFIED BY THE CLERK OF THE COURT OR BY A JUDGE OF THE COURT IN WHICH THE CONVICTION OCCURRED, SHALL BE CONCLUSIVE EVIDENCE OF THE CONVICTION. IN A CASE WHERE A PENDING CHARGE IS RECORDED, DOCUMENTATION PROVIDED BY A COURT TO THE SECRETARY, OR A DESIGNEE OF THE SECRETARY, THAT A PENDING CHARGE FOR A CRIME IDENTIFIED IN § 5-564 OF THIS PART VI WHICH HAS NOT BEEN FINALLY ADJUDICATED SHALL BE CONCLUSIVE EVIDENCE OF THE PENDING CHARGE.
- (D) FAILURE OF THE INDIVIDUAL TO APPEAR AT THE SCHEDULED HEARING SHALL BE CONSIDERED GROUNDS FOR DISMISSAL OF THE APPEAL. 5-566.

AN INDIVIDUAL WHO FAILS TO DISCLOSE A CONVICTION OR THE EXISTENCE OF PENDING CHARGES FOR A CRIMINAL OFFENSE OR ATTEMPTED CRIMINAL OFFENSE AS REQUIRED UNDER § 5-563 OF THIS PART VI, SHALL