

**STATE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE**

College Park, Md.

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**Organization.**

The law provides that the personnel of the State Board of Agriculture shall be the same as the Board of Regents of the State University. (Ch. 225 and 391, 1916.)

**General Powers.**

The general powers of the board as stated in Article 7 of the Laws of 1916, Chapter 391, are as follows:

"The State Board of Agriculture shall investigate the conditions surrounding the breeding, raising and marketing of livestock and the products thereof, and contagious and infectious diseases affecting the same; the raising, distribution and sale of farm, orchard, forest and nursery products, generally, and plant diseases and injurious insects affecting the same; the preparation, manufacture, quality analysis, inspection, control and distribution of animal and vegetable products, animal feeds, seeds, fertilizers, agricultural lime, agricultural and horticultural chemicals, and biological products; and shall secure information and statistics in relation thereto and publish such information, statistics and the results of such investigations at such times and in such manner as to it shall seem best adapted to the efficient dissemination thereof; and except where such powers and duties are by law conferred or laid upon other boards, commissions or officials, the State Board of Agriculture shall have general supervision, direction and control of the herein recited matters, and generally of all matters in any way affecting or relating to the fostering protection and development of the agricultural interests of the State, including the encouragement of desirable immigration thereto, with power and authority to issue rules and regulations in respect thereof not in conflict with the Constitution and Laws of the State or the United States, which shall have the force and effect of law, and all violations of which shall be punished as misdemeanors are punished at common law; and where such powers and duties are by law conferred or laid on other governmental agencies may co-operate in the execution and performance thereof, and when so co-operating each shall be vested with such authority as is now or may hereafter by law be conferred on the other. The powers and duties herein recited shall be in addition to and not in limitation of any power and duties which now are or hereafter may be conferred or laid upon said board."

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**STATE HORTICULTURAL DEPARTMENT**

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The State Horticultural Law was enacted by the 1898 Session of the Maryland Legislature (Laws of Maryland, 1898, Chapter 289). The law creates the offices of the State Entomologist, State Pathologist and State Horticulturist. The following articles under Section No. 1 of said Act will explain briefly the duties of the officers and the scope of the work of the Department: