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retirement system and considers applications for disability pensions or retirement (Code 1957, 1969 Repl. Vol., 1975 Supp., Art. 88B, secs. 31, 37, 49-62).

Staff: 66.

BOARD OF ETHICS

Chairman: Reuben Oppenheimer, 1979 Ex officio member: Henry G. Bosz, Secretary of Personnel.

Appointed members: Julius Rainess, 1976;
Henry C. Welcome, 1976; William B.
Calvert, 1977; H. Stafford Bullen, 1978;
Edward L. Coady, 1979; Louis Silverstein, 1979; Natalie R. Zimmerman, 1979.

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The Board of Ethics was established by the Governor in 1969 by executive order to advise on individual cases in which State officers or employees might have conflicts of interest. The Board consists of nine members of whom eight are appointed by the Governor for four year terms from the general public who are not subject to the Code of Ethics. The Secretary of Personnel is an ex officio member. The Governor designates the Chairman. The Board appoints the Executive Secretary.

The Board has the power to recommend orders, rules, regulations and changes in the Code of Ethics. The Board also has the power to render advisory opinions to officers and employees of the State or any of its agencies with respect to the applicability of the Code of Ethics. The Board also investigates and reports upon alleged violations of the Code upon the request of authorized officials.

The same Executive Order also established the Code of Ethics for all executive branch officers and employees in areas of possible conflicts between private interests and official duties as State employees (Code 1957, 1971 Repl. Vol., Art. 41, sec. 14A).