To make recommendations. cial aid from this State, and shall further make such recommendations as to the appropriations for such institutions as may seem wise and for the best interests of this State, giving the reasons for such recommendations as fully as may be practicable.

Appointment of secretary.

SEC. 6. And be it enacted, That the board shall appoint a competent person to act as its secretary, who shall be paid for his services such compensation not exceeding eighteen hundred dollars in any one year, as may be agreed upon by the board. The secretary shall also be allowed the reasonable rental of an office not to exceed four hundred dollars a year and his reasonable traveling expenses in attending to his duties; provided, that in no case shall the total expenditure of the board and its secretary exceed the amount appropriated to it each year. The said board shall have the power to discharge or remove its secretary at any time by a majority vote of all its members.

General duties of secretary. SEC. 7. And be it enacted, That it shall be the duty of the secretary of this board to inform himself fully as to the condition and conduct of the institutions coming under the supervision of the board, and to report fully to the board at its regular and special meetings, and to perform such other duties as may be required of him. During the sessions of the Legislature he shall be in attendance upon and subject to the joint control and direction of the Finance Committee of the Senate and the Ways and Means Committee of the House of Delegates and shall perform such duties in the line of his employment and make such investigations and reports as may be imposed upon him by these committees.

Moneys appropriated. Sec. 8. And be it enacted, That the sum of three thousand five hundred dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any funds not otherwise appropriated for each of the fiscal years ending respectively on the thirtieth day of September, 1905, and the thirtieth day of September, 1906, for the payment of all the salaries and other expenses made necessary by this Act, and the Treasurer of the State shall, upon warrant of the Comptroller of the Treasury, pay the said sums of money herein appropriated for the objects and purposes hereinbefore specified to or upon the order of the president of said board.

SEC. 9. And be it enacted, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 8, 1904.