

for not more than twelve hours in any one calendar day, to meet the exigencies of exceptional seasonable demands upon the trade or industry in which they are employed. Provided further, that the invalidity of any portion of this act shall in no way affect the validity of any other portion thereof which can be given affect without such invalid part. But the provisions of this section shall not apply to females employed in the canning or preserving or preparing for canning or preserving of perishable fruits and vegetables.

SEC. 15. Every employer shall post in a conspicuous place in every room of any manufacturing, mechanical, mercantile, printing, baking or laundering establishment in which any females are employed, a printed notice stating the provisions of this law and the hours of beginning and stopping work. The printed form of such notice shall be furnished by the chief of the Maryland Bureau of Statistics and Information.

SEC. 16. The Governor shall appoint in the year 1912 and every fourth year thereafter, in the month of May, an Inspector and two Assistant Inspectors of Female Labor, who shall be female citizens of this State of good moral character. The Inspector shall receive a salary of \$800.00 annually, and each of the Assistant Inspectors a salary of \$600.00 annually, and they shall be further paid the actual and necessary expense incurred by them in the discharge of their duties. They shall hold office for four years and until their respective successors shall have been appointed and have qualified, but may be removed by the Governor at any time, a specific written statement of his reasons for such removal being furnished in each case by the Governor to the person removed. All vacancies in the offices hereby created shall be immediately filled by the Governor for the remainder of the unexpired term. The sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000) per annum, or so much thereof as may be needed in each year is hereby appropriated to carry out the provisions of this and the next succeeding sections.

SEC. 17. The said Inspector and her said Assistants, in the discharge of their duties, may enter any place, building or room of any establishment mentioned in section 14 of this article and shall visit and inspect all establishments named in said section 14 as often as practicable during reasonable hours, and shall cause the provisions of this act to be enforced therein; they shall report any cases of illegal employment or other violations of sections 14 and 15 of this article to the State's attorney and the grand jury of the county or city where the said offenses shall have been committed.