and published shall have the force of law. For the purpose of enforcing the provisions of this article, and the enacted and published by-laws of the Board, the state board of education shall, if necessary, institute legal proceedings.

Under sections 55 and 125, while the principal teachers of district schools are appointed by district trustees subject to confirmation by the school commissioners, the latter have direct control of high schools, and authority to appoint the principal and assistant teachers thereof. The control however, given to the school commissioners of high schools is subject to the provisions of this section; hence the determination of the school commissioners relative to the dismissal of a teacher of a high school is subject to the visatorial power of the state board; the action of the latter cannot be controlled by the courts. The question of which of two persons shall be recognized as a teacher of a school involves the proper administration of the school system. Zantzinger v Manning, 123 Md. 177. And see School Commissioners v. Morris, 123 Md. 402; School Commissioners v. Breeding, 126 Md. 86.

To the first note to this section on page 1718 of volume 2 of the Annotated Code, add School Commissioners v. Morris. 123 Md. 402; School Commissioners v. Breeding, 126 Md. 86.

To the first, second and third notes to this section on page 1718 of volume

2 of the Annotated Code, add Zantzinger v. Manning, 123 Md. 187.

To the note to this section on page 809 of volume 3 of the Annotated Code, add School Commissioners v. Morris, 123 Md. 402; Zantzinger v. Manning, 123 Md. 181.

See notes to this section in volumes 2 and 3 of the Annotated Code.

1904, art. 77, sec. 12. 1888, art. 77, sec. 12. 1872, ch. 377. 1916, ch. 506, sec. 12.

12. The state board of education shall exercise, through the state superintendent of schools and his professional assistants, general control and supervision over the public schools and educational interests of the State; they shall consult with and advise, through their executive officer and his professional assistants, county boards of education, boards of district school trustees, county superintendents, supervisors, attendance officers, principals, teachers, and interested citizens, and shall seek in every way to direct and develop public sentiment in support of public education.

See notes to this section in volume 2 of the Annotated Code.

1916, ch. 506, sec. 12A.

12A. The state board of education shall prescribe, with and on the advice of the state superintendent of schools, rules and regulations for the hygienic, sanitary and protective construction of school buildings and outhouses.

1916, ch. 506, sec. 12B.

12B. The state board of education shall prescribe, with and on the advice of the state superintendent of schools, rules and regulations for grading and standardizing all public schools. They may limit, on the basis of the equipment and number of teachers employed, the years and grades of instruction offered in any public school. They shall prescribe the minimum requirements for issuing all certificates, diplomas, and academic, collegiate, professional or university degrees. No public