

1904, art. 77, sec. 20. 1900, ch. 428, sec. 17C. 1904, ch. 584. 1916, ch. 506, sec. 20.

20. The state superintendent of schools shall, subject to the rules and regulations of the state board of education, pass upon all proposals for the purchase of grounds, school sites or buildings, or for the sale of the same; and also upon all plans and specifications for the remodeling of old school buildings or the construction of new school buildings costing three hundred dollars (\$300) or more. In case the construction is to be done by the county board itself, it shall be illegal for the county board to proceed until the plans and specifications shall have been approved in writing by the state superintendent of schools; in case the construction is to be done by contract, the contract shall be invalid without the written approval of the state superintendent of schools.

1916, ch. 506, sec. 20A.

20A. The state superintendent of schools shall certificate, subject to the rules and regulations of the state board of education and the provisions of sections 53, 54 and 55 of this Article, all teachers in the public schools of the State.

1916, ch. 506, sec. 20B.

20B. The state superintendent of schools shall prepare, or cause to be prepared, and submit for approval and adoption by the state board of education, courses of study for the different grades and kinds of elementary schools, high schools and normal schools, and also college courses for teachers.

1918, ch. 348.

20C. The state superintendent of schools is hereby authorized to furnish, by means of pictorial or graphic representations, additional facilities for instruction in geography, history, science and kindred subjects, to the schools, institutions and organizations under the supervision of the State Board of Education. Material collected for this purpose may, under general rules, be lent for a limited time to responsible institutions and organizations for the benefit of artisans, mechanics and other citizens of the several communities of the State. He may from time to time enter into contracts necessary for carrying out this provision.

1906, ch. 356. 1908, ch. 494. 1916, ch. 506, sec. 21.

21. The state superintendent of schools, acting under the rules and regulations of the state board of education, shall be responsible for the administration of the state department of education, and shall have general supervision of all the professional and clerical assistants of the department. He shall nominate to the state board of education all the professional and clerical assistants of the department and may recommend their dismissal for immorality, misconduct in office, insubordination, incompetency or wilful neglect of duty. But the qualification of