

and equipment thereof. But such visits and inspections shall be made at reasonably convenient hours and with reasonable regard to the established discipline, regulations and customs of the said institution; provided that any party who shall feel aggrieved at the action of said Board hereunder may within thirty days after the determination by said Board appeal to any Court of General Common Law Jurisdiction in the county or city where the office of the said Board shall be located at the time of said appeal; and the said Court, sitting without a jury, shall thereupon fully investigate the subject matter of the said appeal, and decide all questions of law or fact arising in connection therewith, and affirm, reverse or modify any determination of the said Board in the premises, and make such disposition of the costs of the appeal as it shall find to be just. Provided, however, that all the monies appropriated to Charitable Institutions shall be paid to them on a per capita basis according to rates fixed by the Board of Public Works, which rates should represent the reasonable cost of rendering the services required of the said institutions to the persons under their care and should be impartial, fair and uniform in the case of all institutions caring for persons of substantially the same class and under conditions approved by the Board of Public Works. And provided further, that the amount which may be earned by any institution in any one year shall not exceed the amount appropriated to it.

An. Code, sec. 5. 1904, sec. 5. 1900, ch. 679, sec. 6. 1904, ch. 549, sec. 6. 1916, ch. 705, sec. 5.

6. The said Board shall appoint a competent person to act as its Secretary, who shall be paid for his services such compensation not exceeding twenty-two hundred dollars in any one year as may be agreed upon by the Board. The Secretary shall also be allowed his reasonable traveling expenses in attending to his duties. The Secretary shall devote his whole time to the duties of the office; and the said Board, with the approval of the Governor, may appoint such stenographers and clerks as a proper performance of its duties may require. The said Board shall be provided with suitable offices by the Board of Public Works. The salaries of the stenographers and clerks shall be fixed by said Board with the approval of the Governor; provided that in no case shall the total expenditures of the said Board for administrative expenses exceed the amount appropriated to it therefor, in each year. The said Board shall have the power to discharge or remove its secretary, stenographers or clerks at any time.

An. Code, sec. 6. 1904, sec. 6. 1900, ch. 679, sec. 7. 1904, ch. 549, sec. 7. 1916, ch. 705, sec. 6.

7. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of this Board to inform himself fully as to the condition and conduct of the institutions receiving financial assistance from or having contracts with the State, the progress of social work in this and other countries, and to report fully to the Board at its regular and special meetings, and to perform such other duties as the said Board may require of him. During the session 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 Ways and Means Committee of the House of Delegates; and shall perform such duties in the