

Subject to confirmation by the Senate of the next session.

Industries

The Commissioner shall be appointed by the Governor, and with the advice and consent of the Senate, and shall serve for a term of four years from the first Monday of May following the election of the Governor.

An. Code, sec. 1. 1904, sec. 1. 1888, sec. 1. 1884, ch. 211, secs. 1, 2. 1892, ch. 29. 1916, ch. 406, sec. 1. 1922, ch. 29, sec. 1 (p. 69).

1. The office of Commissioner of Labor and <sup>(Statistics)</sup> is hereby created. (The term of office of said Commissioner shall be two years,) and until his successor shall be appointed and shall have qualified, (said term beginning on the first Monday of May succeeding his appointment, except that the Commissioner first appointed under this Act shall be appointed on January 1, 1923, and hold office until the first Monday of May, 1924, and until his successor shall qualify.) Any vacancy shall be filled by the Governor for the unexpired term. The Governor may at any time remove the Commissioner from office for inefficiency, neglect of duty or malfeasance in office. The salary of the Commissioner shall be (\$3,000) per annum. The said Commissioner shall be allowed for actual and necessary expenses incurred in the discharge of his duties.

The Commissioner of Labor and <sup>(Statistics)</sup> is authorized and empowered to appoint or employ such deputies, inspectors, assistants and employees of every kind as may be necessary for the performance of the duties now or hereafter imposed upon him by this or any other law; provided, however, that such appointments and employments, and the compensation to be allowed therefor, shall in each and every case be subject to the approval of the Governor.

Sec. art. 27, sec. 297, et seq.

An. Code, sec. 2. 1904, sec. 2. 1888, sec. 2. 1888, ch. 173. 1892, ch. 29. 1902, ch. 365. 1916, ch. 406, sec. 2.

2. It shall be the duty of the said Commissioner<sup>1</sup> of Labor and Statistics:

1st. To collect statistics concerning and examine into the condition of labor in this State, with especial reference to wages, and the causes of strikes and disagreements between employers and employees.

2nd. To collect information in regard to the agricultural conditions and products of the several counties of the State, the acreage under cultivation and planted to the various crops, the character and price of lands, the live stock, et cetera, and all other matters pertaining to agricultural pursuits, which may be of general interest and calculated to attract immigration to the State.

3rd. To collect information in regard to the mineral products of the State, the output of mines, quarries and so forth, and the manufacturing industries.

4th. To collect information in regard to railroads and other transportation companies, shipping and commerce.

5th. To keep a bureau of general information, and to this end all officers and institutions of this State, including officers of the General Assembly, are directed to transmit to the Commissioner of Labor and Statistics all reports, as soon as published.

6th. To classify and arrange the information and data so obtained, and as soon as practicable after entering upon the duties of its office, publish

<sup>1</sup> Formerly state board of labor and statistics.

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