

compensation as the Commission may determine, and as may be provided in the Budget. He shall enter in the journal of said Commission and shall carefully preserve neat, legible, full and accurate minutes of all meetings and records of all proceedings of said Commission, and make true copies of all notices directed by said Commission to be published, and of the certificates of publication thereof, and shall perform such other duties as shall appertain to the office of secretary of a private corporation, or as are imposed on him by law, or as may be assigned to him by said Commission. All records of said Commission shall be public records, and the Commission shall, annually, make to the Governor a detailed report of its official transactions, and of all its expenditures and of all liabilities incurred by it. The said Commission may employ such chief engineer, assistant engineer, professional or technical experts, surveyors, agents, assistants, clerks, employees and laborers, skilled and unskilled, and also such advisers and consultants as it may deem requisite for the performance and execution of the powers and duties imposed and conferred by law, and shall fix their respective compensations. Said Commissioners shall have power to exact from any person employed by it such indemnity bond for the faithful performance of duty as the Commission may deem proper, and said Commissioners may remove any of said persons from their positions, but only in the manner hereinafter provided. And said Commission may also rent or lease all proper and necessary offices and other places which it may deem proper and necessary for the performance of its duties and the purposes of law. The said Commission shall keep a journal in which shall be entered all its proceedings in detail, the correctness of the same to be attested at each succeeding meeting by the Chairman and Secretary of the Commission. Said Commission shall also keep books showing in detail all expenditures of money in the State in connection with the establishment or improvement of roads, and in connection with all work whatsoever of the Commission, which books and records shall be open to the inspection of any taxpayer of the State, at any time. No member of said Commission shall become pecuniarily interested in any contract for work done or material provided in connection with any of the work of said Commission. The Commission shall at the time of its organization, as aforesaid, and thereafter from time to time, adopt such by-laws and rules of procedure for the conduct of its business as it may deem necessary. It shall annually compile and publish maps and statistics relating to the public roads of the State and showing the progress and status of the work done or entered upon by it and separately for the several counties. All maps, plans and statistics made, collected and compiled under its direction shall be preserved in its office and shall be open to the inspection of any taxpayer of the State. All bills or claims on account of any of the work of the said Commission or in any way relating to its duties or transactions shall be passed upon by the Commission, and no obligation involving the expenditure of more than fifty dollars, and no contract involving a larger expenditure than fifty dollars, shall be allowed or made except by a majority vote of all members of the Commission at a meeting thereof; all contracts, agree-