

drawn upon the State Comptroller, signed by the executive secretary and countersigned by the chairman or acting chairman. The entire amount of money in this fund derived from the issuing of the licenses to the distributors and the collecting of the tax from the producers shall be used only for the administration and enforcement of this Article, and if it should be found that the Commission can operate by imposing a lesser tax upon the producers then they shall reduce the said tax from time to time and may increase it again provided it shall not exceed the amount stated in Section 13.

1935, ch. 310, sec. 16.

16. The State Auditor shall audit the books and accounts of this Commission in the same manner and to the same extent that he audits the books and accounts of other commissions created under the laws of this State.

1935, ch. 310, sec. 17.

17. The Commission may, by uniform rules and regulations, require licensees and permit holders to keep such records showing facts pertinent and material to the enforcement of the provisions of this Article as the Commission may prescribe, and from time to time make and file verified reports on forms prescribed by the Commission on all matters on which records are required to be kept, together with such other information or facts as may be pertinent and material.

All such information as may be furnished to or procured by the Commission in pursuance of the provisions of this Article shall be for the exclusive use and information of the Commission in the discharge of its official duties and shall not be open to the public or used in any court in any action or proceeding pending therein unless the Commission is a party to such action or proceeding; but such information may be consolidated in statistical tables available to licensed distributors and producers, and may be published by the Commission in statistical form without disclosing details of information furnished by any person, for the use and information of state departments and the public. Any member or employee of the Commission and any person assisting the Commission in the administration of this Article who shall wilfully divulge any information secured while in the employ of the Commission in respect to the transactions, property, files, records or papers of the Commission or in respect to the business or mechanical, chemical or other industrial processes of any person, to any person other than members of the Commission or the superior of such employee of the Commission, or when called upon to testify in any action or proceeding in any court, shall be fined not less than one hundred dollars nor more than one thousand dollars.

No person shall be excused from attending and testifying or from producing documentary evidence before the Commission or in obedience to the subpoena of the commission, or as otherwise herein provided, on the ground of or for the reason that the testimony or evidence, documentary or other-