

missioner of Health of the City of Baltimore and the Director of Health to be appointed as hereinafter provided. The members of the Board holding office by appointment of the Governor at the time this Act becomes effective, except Dr. Robert H. Riley, shall continue in office for the full terms for which they were appointed and thereafter the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Senate, shall appoint two members for terms expiring on the first Monday in May, 1945, in the place of the remaining member whose term expires on the first Monday in May, 1940, and one of the three members whose terms expire on the first Monday in May, 1941, two members for terms expiring on the first Monday in May, 1947, in place of the two remaining members whose terms expire on the first Monday in May, 1941. Thereafter the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Senate, shall biennially appoint two members in the place of the two whose terms shall so expire to hold office for terms of six years in each case and until their successors are duly appointed and qualified. All vacancies among members appointed by the Governor shall be filled by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate.

On June 1, 1939, the term of Dr. Robert H. Riley as an appointed member of said Board shall expire and he shall become the Director of Health, and be an *ex-officio* member of said Board and have all the powers and duties conferred by law upon the Director of Health. He shall continue to serve in that capacity as long as he performs his duty in a competent manner and upon his death, resignation or removal as hereinafter provided for, the Board shall appoint a Director of Health who shall be an experienced physician, skilled in public health and hygiene, and upon appointment he shall continue to serve in that capacity as long as he performs his duties in a competent manner, and in the event of a vacancy the position shall be filled by the Board. The Director shall receive such compensation as may be fixed from time to time in the budget, and shall have and exercise all the powers and duties heretofore exercised by the Chairman of the Board appointed by the Governor. The Board may appoint such Director from the qualified physician members of the Board, or may appoint a non-member of the Board, having the necessary qualifications, but in either event the Director shall become an *ex-officio* member of the Board and act as its Chairman and executive officer. If a member of the Board is appointed as Director, the Governor shall thereupon appoint a new member of the Board to take his place and serve for the remainder of his unexpired term. The Director of Health may be removed by the Board of Health only for incompetency or misconduct in the same manner as civil officers receiving appointment from the Executive for a term of years, may be removed by the Governor under the provisions of Section 15 of Article 2 of the Constitution.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 3. 1912, sec. 2. 1904, sec. 2. 1888, sec. 2. 1880, ch. 483, sec. 3. 1914, ch. 675.

2. The State Board of Health shall have the general care of the sanitary interests of the people of this State; they shall make sanitary investigations and inquiries respecting the causes of disease, and especially epidemics, the causes of mortality and the influence of locality, employments, habits and other circumstances and conditions upon the health of the people; they shall inquire into and investigate all nuisances affecting the public health and are authorized and empowered, by information or petition filed in the name of the Board, to apply to the Judges or to any Judge of the Circuit