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or otherwise. The State Registrar is hereby charged with the thorough and efficient execution of the provisions of this sub-title in every part of the State, and with supervisory power over local registrars, to the end that all of its requirements shall be uniformly complied with. He shall have authority to investigate cases of irregularity or violation of law, personally or by an accredited representative, and all registrars shall aid him, upon request, in such investigations. When he shall deem it necessary, he shall report cases of violation of any of the provisions of this sub-title to the prosecuting attorney of the county, with a statement of the facts and circumstances, and when any such case is reported to him by the State Registrar, the prosecuting attorney shall forthwith initiate and promptly follow up the necessary court proceedings against the person or corporation responsible for the alleged violation of law.

And the State Registrar is further empowered to appoint, designate or assign a special counsel to assist in the prosecution of violators or alleged violations of this sub-title.

And should any county registrar, local registrar or deputy local registrar refuse or neglect to execute his duties as provided in this sub-title, the State Registrar may, with the advice and consent of the State Board of Health require him to vacate his office and make a new appointment to fill the vacancy so created. Any county registrar, local registrar, deputy local registrar or State Registrar who shall communicate to any person not authorized to receive the same any of the personal or statistical facts recorded on his register, shall be deemed guilty of misdemeanor and on conviction thereof shall be fined not exceeding \$300.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 29. 1912, sec. 20. 1906, ch. 124.

28. Whenever the state board of health shall have reason to believe that any local registrar of vital statistics does not make full and complete records as required by the provisions of this section, the state board of health shall take charge of and shall operate the local registration office for a period of three months, after having given to the local board of health not less than thirty days' previous notice in writing, and the state board of health shall pay the expenses incurred on account of the local registration office for the time being; provided, that the registration during that period shall be less than 10 per cent. in excess of that recorded by the local registrar in the corresponding three months of the year next preceding; and provided, further, that in case the registration by the state board of health shall exceed by 10 per cent., or more, the registration of the local registrar in the corresponding three months of the next year preceding, the expenses shall be paid by the local board of health.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 30. 1912, sec. 21. 1904, sec. 19. 1898, ch. 312, sec. 6N. 1912, ch. 696, sec. 19. 1914, ch. 747, sec. 19.

29. Every physician, midwife and undertaker shall, without delay, register his or her name, address and occupation with the local registrar of the district in which he or she resides or may hereafter establish a residence, and shall thereupon be supplied by the local registrar with a copy of sections 16, 18-20, 22-25 and 29, together with such rules and regulations as may be prepared by the State Board of Health relative to its enforcement. Within thirty days after the close of each calendar year each local registrar shall make a return to the State Registrar of all physicians,