

An. Code, 1924, sec. 38. 1912, sec. 27. 1910, ch. 560, sec. 21D (p. 141).

**37.** The bureau of chemistry shall conduct inquiries into the nature, source and vehicles of infectious diseases, and into the nature and character of sewage, trades wastes, and into nuisances. It shall examine and analyze free of cost, public and private water supplies, milk and such other foods, drinks, confectionery, drugs, spices and condiments as the board shall direct; it shall establish and maintain, under the direction of the state board of health, a properly equipped laboratory, and perform such other duties and exercise such other functions as the state board of health or the secretary thereof shall designate. Nothing herein contained, however, shall be construed to repeal or interfere in any way whatsoever with the operation of the pure food and drug act, which is entitled "An Act for preventing the manufacture or sale of adulterated, misbranded, poisonous or deleterious foods, drugs, medicines, waters, candies and liquors, and regulating traffic therein within the State of Maryland, and to provide for the punishment of violations of its provisions and to appropriate an annual sum of money for the purpose of enforcing this act by adding certain additional sections to article 43, title 'Health,' sub-title 'Adulteration of Food and Drink,' of the code of public general laws of Maryland of 1904, and to be known as 140A, 140B, 140C, 140D, 140E, 140F, 140G, 140H, 140I, 140J, 140K, 140L, 140M, 140N, and 140-O, and repeal sections 122, 123, 124, 140L, 140M, 140N, and 140-O, and repeal sections 221 and 222 and 125 of said article 43 of the code of public general laws of Maryland of 1904, and also to repeal sections 221 and 222 of article 27 of the code of public general laws of Maryland of 1904, title 'Crimes and Punishments,' sub-title 'Health, Deleterious Candy or Cakes,' " and in case of any conflict between sections 33 to 42 and the said pure food and drug act the provisions of the latter shall prevail and control.

See sec. 189, *et seq.*

An. Code, 1924, sec. 39. 1912, sec. 28. 1910, ch. 560, sec. 21E (p. 142).

**38.** The bureau of sanitary engineering shall examine into all public and private system of water supply and prepare proper maps and drawings of the same for permanent record; it shall examine and patrol as far as possible the watersheds or catchment basins of all public water systems, and investigate and report upon all sources of pollution of public and private water supplies; it shall investigate and report upon all private and public systems of sewage disposal; it shall inquire into and investigate the water supply, sewage disposal, ventilation, heating and lighting of schools, asylums, jails and other public institutions; it shall inquire into and investigate offensive trades and nuisances, disposal of trades wastes, sewage and other offensive matters, and devise means for their control and perform such other duties and exercise such other functions as the state board of health or the Director thereof shall designate.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 40. 1912, sec. 29. 1910, ch. 560, sec. 21F (p. 142).

**39.** The bureau of vital statistics shall supervise the registration of births and deaths in the State of Maryland; it shall receive, file and compile all such records, and shall tabulate and publish the same in such form as shall make them most valuable in the public service; it shall perform such other duties and exercise such other functions as the state board of health or the Director thereof shall designate.