

rated institution or organization, shall be made to the said board of "State Aid and Charities" not less than six months before the next regular session of the General Assembly. The said application shall be made in writing, and shall set forth the amount to be applied for and in detail, as far as may be practicable, the purpose and object for which any appropriation if made by the State to aid said organization or institution is proposed to be expended.

1900, ch. 679.

35. It shall be the duty of said board to carefully consider the proposed application, taking into consideration the usefulness of said organization or institution and whether or not the public interests will be benefited by granting any State assistance thereto, and if so, to what extent such State aid should be given. In so doing the said board shall, if it be deemed necessary, visit the headquarters of the institution or organization so applying, investigate its workings and objects, the number of salaried officers and employees and the amount of salaries paid, whether or not, and to what extent, it receives any aid from the county or city in which it may be located, and acquire all such other information as may enable the said board to form as far as may be a correct judgment as to whether or not said application should be favorably considered.

Ibid.

36. The said board shall within ten days after the first day of January in the years in which the Legislature may assemble make a report to the General Assembly on all such institutions and organizations inspected or investigated as prescribed in the preceding section, setting forth the names of all institutions and organizations to which in the judgment of said board the aid of the State should be extended and to what extent, as well as those to which the aid of the State should not be extended, with the reasons therefor, together with all other matters relating to the conduct and management thereof as may be deemed interesting and useful.