

and upon any vacancy in the office of county health officer, his successor shall be appointed by the local Board of Health as soon as practicable; the county health officer shall hold office for two years from the date of his appointment, but may be removed by the State Board of Health for cause upon charges made and considered at a regular meeting of said board.

120. Such county health officer shall maintain at Towson an office where shall be kept all the records and data pertaining to his duties under this sub-title. He shall appoint a competent clerk or assistant, and such office shall be kept open from 9 o'clock A. M. to 4 o'clock P. M. daily except Sunday. Such county health officer shall give to his duties under this sub-title so much of his time as may be necessary for the proper performance of the same. He shall meet with and report to the County Commissioners weekly, or at such other times as the County Commissioners shall designate; and shall furnish to said County Commissioners, at such time as they require, an annual statement in detail of the receipts and disbursements of his office. He shall receive a salary of one thousand dollars per annum, payable monthly, out of which sum he shall pay his own traveling expenses, and the County Commissioners shall, on his requisition, pay his reasonable office expenses, including the salary of his clerk or assistant, to the extent of but not exceeding eight hundred dollars per annum.

121. It shall be the duty of said county health officer to give to the State Board of Health, the local Board of Health for Baltimore county and such other health authorities as may properly demand the same, all of such professional advice and information as they may require with a view to the preservation of the public health in Baltimore county; to inquire into the health of the county and whenever he shall hear of the existence of any malignant, contagious or pestilential disease in the county, to investigate such report, and ascertain, as correctly as possible, the causes which produced said disease, to adopt measures to arrest its progress, and to report in writing to the secretary of the State Board of Health every circumstance in connection therewith; and also to perform such other duties appertaining to the health of the county as may from time to time imposed upon him by the local Board of Health.

122. The local Board of Health, shall at the time of the appointment of the county health officer, as provided by section 119 of this sub-title, or as soon thereafter as possible, appoint fifteen experienced physicians, residents of Baltimore county, to serve as district health officers, viz: One such officer for the First Election District of said county, with a salary of not less