

palities six months' notice before the time fixed by the Commission as the expiration of the fiscal year of any changes or additions which would require any alteration in the method or form of keeping their accounts for the ensuing year. When such report is defective or believed to be erroneous the Commission shall notify the person, corporation making such report to amend the same within thirty days. Any such person or corporation which shall neglect to make any such report within the time specified by the Commission, or which shall fail to correct any such report within thirty days after notice, shall be liable to a penalty of one hundred dollars, and an additional penalty of one hundred dollars for each day after the prescribed time for which it shall neglect to file or correct the same, to be sued for in the name of the State of Maryland. The amount recovered in any such action shall be paid to the State Treasury, one-fourth thereof, however, to be paid to the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore. The Commission may extend the time herein limited for cause shown.

Have power, either through its members or inspectors or employees, duly authorized by it, to enter in or upon and to inspect the property, buildings, plants, factories, power-houses and offices of any such corporations or persons.

Have power to examine the books and affairs of any such corporation, person and to compel the production before it of books and papers pertaining to the affairs being investigated by it.

Have power, whether as a Commission or through its members, to subpoena witnesses, take testimony and administer oaths to witnesses in any proceeding or examination instituted before it, or conducted by it in reference to any matter within its jurisdiction under this Article.

The Commission shall appoint inspectors of gas and electric meters, whose duty it shall be to inspect, examine, prove and ascertain the accuracy of any and all gas meters used or intended to be used for measuring or ascertaining the quantity of illuminating or fuel gas, or natural gas, furnished by any gas corporation to or for the use of any person, and any and all electric meters used or intended to be used for measuring and ascertaining the quantity of electrical current furnished for light, heat and power by any electrical corporation to or for the use of any person or persons, and when found to be or made to be correct, the inspector shall stamp or mark all such meters and each of them with some suitable device, which device shall be recorded in the office of the Secretary of State.

No corporation or person shall furnish or put in use any gas meter which shall not have been inspected, proved and