

President of every Board of School Commissioners, shall be determined by the State Board of Education, and paid by the County Commissioners as other officers are paid.

Sec. 2. The person so appointed and their successors are hereby declared to be a body politic and corporate by the name and style of the Board of School Commissioners of — City or County, and by that name shall have perpetual succession, and shall be capable to sue and be sued, and to have and use a common seal, and the same at their pleasure to alter or break, and to exercise all the powers and privileges hereby granted to or vested in them; all property, estate and effects, all money, all funds, all claims, all State donations, now vested by law in any county or school district, any Board of School Commissioners, any Board of County Commissioners, any Board of Inspectors of Primary Schools, any Trustee or Trustees of Primary Schools or any other body of persons whatsoever, for the use and benefit of public, primary, free or high schools in the several counties or any of them, are hereby vested in and transferred to the Board of School Commissioners of the county; and it shall be the imperative duty of all the parties aforesaid to convey, transfer and pay over, all such property, estate and effects, all money, all funds, all claims, all State donations to the said Boards of School Commissioners, except such grant or devise of lands, donations and bequests of money or other personal property, designed as or now constituting such permanent school fund, as the State Board of Education may take and hold in accordance with the provisions of section three, chapter two, title one, and sections fifth and sixth, chapter one, title four; if any of the parties aforesaid shall refuse to comply with the provisions of this section, the Board of School Commissioners shall immediately apply to the Judge of the Circuit Court for the writ of mandamus to compel obedience thereto; *provided, nevertheless*, that the titles to all school houses and lots and all personal effects now held by any Board of School Commissioners, any Board of Inspectors of Primary Schools, any Board of County Commissioners, any county or school district, shall pass to the Board of School Commissioners without any formal conveyance.

Declared to be a body politic.

Property &c., vested in board of School Commissioners.

Property &c., to be conveyed over to boards.

Proviso.