the State Board of Forestry, such assistants and employes as may be necessary in executing the duties of his office and the purposes of the Board of Forestry; the compensation of such assistants and employes to be fixed by the State Board of Forestry. He shall have charge of all Forest Wardens in the State and aid and direct them in their work; take such action as is authorized by law to prevent and extinguish forest fires, enforce all laws pertaining to forest and woodland, and prosecute for any violation of such laws; collect data relative to forest destruction and conditions; direct the protection and improvement of State parks and forest reserves and co-operate with land owners as described in Section 4 of this Act. He shall annually deliver a course of lectures at the Maryland State Agricultural College bearing upon forestry and silviculture, subject to the approval of the Trustees of the College and of the State Board of Forestry, and as far as his duties as State Forester will permit, carry on an educational course of lectures on Forestry at the Farmers' Institutes and similar meetings within the State. He shall act as Secretary of the State Board of Forestry and shall prepare for the Board annually a report on the progress and condition of State Forest work and recommend therein plans for improving the State system of forest protection, management and replacement.

The State Board of Forestry shall have the power to purchase lands in the name of the State, suitable for forest culture and reserves, using for such purposes any special appropriation or any surplus money not otherwise appropriated, which may be standing to the credit of the Forest Reserve Fund, and to make all rules and regulations governing State Reserves, and to employ such labor and do such work as they deem wise in developing and protecting State Reserves under their jurisdiction; and that the Governor of the State is authorized upon the recommendation of said State Board of Forestry to accept gifts of land to the State, the same to be held, protected and administered by the State Board of Forestry as State Forest Reserves, and to be used so as to demonstrate the practical utility of timber culture, water conservation and as a breeding place for game. Such gifts must be absolute except for the reservation of all mineral and mining rights over and under said lands, and a stipulation that they shall be administered as State Forest Reserves, and the Attornev-General of the State is directed to see that all deeds to