

tion of employment a higher standard for a certificate of a similar kind and grade than is required by the State. Provided that all teachers' certificates and diplomas in force at the time this section goes into effect shall continue in force for the full time for which they were issued or are valid, and shall remain valid for the grade and position for which issued. Provided, that no renewal or extension of such certificates shall be granted under this section by the State superintendent of schools, nor shall the renewal or extension of any certificate by a county superintendent expiring between the time this section goes into effect and September the thirtieth, 1916, be for more than one year. Provided also that no certificate issued by a county superintendent of schools between the time this section goes into effect and September thirtieth, 1916, shall be valid for more than one year. Provided further that no certificate heretofore issued shall be valid after this section goes into effect, for appointment to the position of county superintendent, assistant superintendent, supervisor, high school principal or elementary school principal in elementary schools having three or more teachers, including the principal, except in case of persons holding the foregoing positions at the time this section goes into effect, and then valid only for the particular position they are then holding and in the particular county.

54. The examination and certification of teachers, after September thirtieth, 1916, shall be a state function, and all examinations for teachers' certificates shall be on uniform questions prepared and sent out by the state superintendent of schools, either in person or through his assistants. All examination papers shall be forwarded to, read and graded by the state superintendent of schools, either in person or by his assistants. The county superintendent shall render such assistance in conducting examinations as may be required by the superintendent of public education. All details connected with examinations for teachers' certificates, the renewal of the same, the granting of such on certificates or diplomas, and the conditions under which certificates, diplomas and degrees of institutions of the State of Maryland and of other states will be recognized, not provided for in this article, shall be determined, subject to the rules and regulations of the state board of education, by the state superintendent of schools. He shall issue a bulletin containing full information of the time and place, the number and kinds of examinations, the rules and