the number of persons employed in each mine, the extent to which the law is obeyed and progress made in the improvements of mines, the number of serious accidents and the nature thereof, the number of deaths resulting from injuries received in or about the mines, with the cause of such accident or death; which record completed to the first day of May of each and every year shall be filed with the State Board of Labor and Statistics, and one thousand copies of said report shall be printed for distribution at once by the said Board, and the cost thereof shall be paid by the Treasurer upon the warrant of the Comptoller.

Section 199 of Article 1, and Section 153 of Article 12. In case the Inspector becomes incapacitated to perform the duties of his office or receives a leave of absence from the said Board, it shall be the duty of the said Board to appoint, upon said Mine Inspector's application, or that of five miners or five operators, some competent person to fill the office of Inspector until the said Inspector shall be able to resume the duties of his office, and the person so appointed shall be paid in the same manner as hereinbefore provided for the Inspector of Mines.

Section 209Q of Article 1, and Section 164P of Article 12. In this Act the term "coal mine" includes the shafts, slopes, adits, drifts or incline planes connected with excavations penetrating coal stratum or strata, which excavations are ventilated by one general air current or divisions thereof, and connected by one general system of mine railroads over which coal may be delivered to one or more common points outside the mine when such is operated by one operator.

Sub-Section A. The term "excavations and workings" includes all the excavated parts of a mine, those abandoned as well as the places actually being worked, also all underground workings and shafts, tunnels and other ways and openings, all such shafts, slopes, tunnels and other openings in the course of being sunk or driven, together with all roads, appliances, machinery and material connected with the same below the surface.

Sub-Section B. The term "shaft" means a vertical opening through the strata, and which is and may be used for the purpose of ventilation or drainage, or for hoisting men or material, or both, in connection with the mining of coal.