

the progress and condition of State Forest work and recommend therein plans for improving the State system of forest protection, management and replacement.

SEC. 4. On the taking effect of this Act, all the rights, powers, duties, obligations and functions of the State Geological and Economic Survey Commission, as the same are set forth in sections 19 to 24 inc. of Article 91 of the Annotated Code, title "Surveyor and State Survey," sub-title "State Geological and Economic Survey," and in any other provisions of law, shall be transferred to and thereafter be exercised and performed by the Regents of the University of Maryland, as the lawful successors to said State Geological and Economic Survey Commission, to the same extent and effect as if the said Regents of the University of Maryland had been named in said provisions of the law as the body upon whom the said rights, powers, duties, obligations and functions were conferred. Thereupon the terms of office of the members of the said State Geological and Economic Survey Commission shall cease and be at an end and the said Commission shall be and stand abolished.

SEC. 5. On the taking effect of this Act, section 19 of Article 91 of the Annotated Code, title "Surveyor and State Survey," sub-title "State Geological and Economic Survey," shall be repealed and re-enacted with amendments so as to read as follows:

19. There is established a state geological and economic survey, which shall be under the direction of the Regents of the University of Maryland, who shall have general charge of the survey and shall appoint as superintendent of the same a geologist of established reputation, and, upon his nomination, such assistants and employees as they may deem necessary; and they shall also determine the compensation of all persons employed by the survey, subject to the provisions of the Budget, and may remove them at pleasure. There is also established a State Geological and Economic Survey Advisory Commission, composed of the President of the Johns Hopkins University and two other members, appointed by the Governor biennially, except that the two members first appointed under this Act shall be appointed on the taking effect of this Act, and hold office until the first Monday of May, 1924, and until their successors shall qualify. It shall be the duty of said Commission