

shall be appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate, except that the associate members first appointed under this Act shall be appointed by the Governor alone and their terms of office shall begin on the taking effect of this Act. The associate members of said Board shall hold office for six years, provided that those first appointed under this Act shall be so classed by the Governor that the terms of office of two shall expire on the first Monday of May, 1924, the terms of office of two on the first Monday of May, 1926, and the terms of office of two on the first Monday of May 1928, and thereafter in each case the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Senate, shall appoint two members in the place of the two whose terms shall so expire. All vacancies shall be filled by the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Senate.

The Commissioner of Mental Hygiene shall be a qualified physician who at the time of his appointment has had at least five years' actual experience in the treatment of mental diseases. He shall be appointed as follows: On the taking effect of this Act, the associate members of the Board, or a majority of them, shall designate and nominate to the Governor the man in their judgment best fitted for the position, and the Governor shall thereupon appoint such nominee Commissioner of Mental Hygiene. The Commissioner shall hold such office as long as he shall faithfully and efficiently discharge the duties thereof. He may be removed by the Governor for cause, after an opportunity for a hearing, and any vacancy occurring in the office shall be filled in the manner hereinbefore provided.

The Commissioner of Mental Hygiene shall report annually on or before January 1st, to the Director of Welfare concerning the institutions mentioned in Section 3 of this Article, or any other institution which may hereafter be established for the care of insane, and placed in the Department of Welfare, which reports shall be transmitted by the Director of Welfare to the Governor with the annual report of the Director of Welfare.

The Commissioner of Mental Hygiene shall receive a salary of \$3,600 per annum, and associate members of the Board of Mental Hygiene shall serve without pay.

SEC. 6. The Director of Welfare shall be entitled to and shall receive the advice, counsel and assistance of the Commissioner of Mental Hygiene and of the Board of Mental Hygiene, or any member thereof, in the performance of any of his duties and the said Director of Welfare is hereby authorized and