

provided, from time to time, in the Budget. The appointment and removal of all paid personnel under this Article shall be governed by the provisions of Article 64A of the Code of Public General Laws of Maryland, but in the case of the Department of Public Welfare of Baltimore City, Sections 203A to 203Q, inclusive, of the Baltimore City Charter shall govern. Provided, however, that the Board of Public Welfare may prescribe the number, salaries and minimum qualifications of the personnel engaged in the administration of the activities of the State Department of Public Welfare and of the local Boards of Welfare as are financed in whole or in part by the State.

8B. All institutions, agencies and societies, whether incorporated or not, except those receiving financial assistance from the State or having contracts with the State, or licensed by any incorporated municipality or district authorized to issue such licenses, as well as all individuals, having the care, custody or control of one or more minors, other than children related by blood or marriage to, or adopted by such individuals, or for whom such individuals are duly appointed guardians, shall obtain an annual license therefor from the State, to be issued by the State Department of Public Welfare, upon due proof of compliance with rules and regulations designed to secure the proper care of such minors, which rules and regulations the said State Board of Public Welfare is hereby authorized to establish.

The said State Department shall have the same power to investigate and visit any such institutions, agencies, societies or individuals as is now provided by law in the case of corporations, associations, institutions or agencies receiving financial assistance from the State or having contracts with the State, and shall have power to revoke the licenses of any such institutions, agencies, societies or individuals. All such action of the State Department is subject to the same right of appeal by any party who shall feel aggrieved at any action of the State Department hereunder, as in the case of State-aided institutions. The provisions of Section 378 of Article 27 shall not be construed as limiting the powers herein granted to the said State Department of Public Welfare. The State Department of Public Welfare shall have the authority to license any person or institution maintaining a home in which two or more persons beyond the age of 65 years shall be cared for and for which a charge is made for such care or maintenance, upon due proof of compliance with rules and regulations designed to secure the proper care of such aged persons, which rules and regulations the said State Board of Public Welfare is