

berculosis, Bureau of Medical Services and Hospitals, Bureau of Environmental Hygiene and Bureau of Management. The Board may establish sub-units within the seven major units, and all delegation of its powers, duties, responsibilities and functions shall be to the Director, the major units or the sub-units authorized herein. The Board may at any time create additional sub-units, consolidate or abolish existing sub-units, and modify, revoke, revise and reassign any of its powers, duties, responsibilities and functions delegated to the Director and the aforementioned major units and sub-units whenever it determines such action to be in the best interest of public health.

34. The [bureau of communicable diseases] *State Board of Health* shall secure accurate and complete returns of communicable diseases in Maryland; it shall examine into the prevalence and causes of such diseases and devise means for their control; it shall examine into and investigate epidemics and nuisances and devise means for their control; and it shall publish monthly a bulletin for health officers. [and perform such other duties and exercise such other functions as the state board of health or the Director thereof shall designate.]

37. (a) The [bureau of chemistry] *State Board of Health* shall conduct inquiries into the nature, source and vehicles of infectious diseases, and into the nature and character of sewage, trades wastes, and into nuisances. It shall examine and analyze free of cost, public and private water supplies, milk and such other foods, drinks, confectionery, drugs, spices and condiments as the board shall direct; it shall establish and maintain [, under the direction of the state board of health,] a properly equipped *public health* laboratory [, and perform such other duties and exercise such other functions as the State Board of Health or the secretary thereof shall designate.] *to perform these and related functions, and the services of said laboratory shall be free to all local boards of health and to all practicing physicians of the State for inquiries concerning infectious and contagious diseases and such other matters as the said board may from time to time direct.*

(b) Nothing herein contained, however, shall be construed to repeal or interfere in any way whatsoever with the operation of the pure food and drug act, [which is entitled "An Act for preventing the manufacture or sale of adulterated, misbranded, poisonous or deleterious foods, drugs, medicines, waters, candies and liquors, and regulating traffic therein within the State of Maryland, and to provide for the punishment of violations of its provisions and to appropriate an