

mental hygiene, and who shall be certified in psychiatry by the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology. Dr. Isadore Tuerk shall become the Commissioner and shall serve in that capacity as long as he performs his duties in a competent manner. The Commissioner of Mental Hygiene shall receive such salary as may be provided in the budget, and he shall continue in office until removed by the Governor for incompetency or misconduct, under the provisions of Section 15 of Article II of the Constitution. The Commissioner of Mental Hygiene shall be responsible for discharging the functions assigned by the Board of Health and Mental Hygiene to the State Department of Mental Hygiene, and for the administration of that Department.

The Commissioner of Mental Hygiene shall organize the Department of Mental Hygiene as may be necessary to carry out the responsibilities and functions of the Department. The Commissioner of Mental Hygiene shall have such assistants, employees and professional consultants as may be provided in the budget.

The Commissioner of Mental Hygiene shall appoint, with the approval of the Board of Health and Mental Hygiene, a superintendent of Spring Grove State Hospital, Springfield State Hospital, the Eastern Shore State Hospital, Crownsville State Hospital, Rosewood State [Training School] Hospital and the Clifton T. Perkins State Hospital, as well as any additional hospitals which may come within his administrative jurisdiction.

#### ARTICLE 59

19. Spring Grove State Hospital, Springfield State Hospital, the Eastern Shore State Hospital, Crownsville State Hospital, and Rosewood State [Training School] Hospital shall hereafter exercise their functions under the supervision, direction and control of the Department of Mental Hygiene. The several boards of managers of said institutions are hereby abolished and all property, real and personal, of every kind, held by said boards of managers of said institutions, as corporations, is hereby transferred to the State of Maryland. The tenure of office of the superintendent of each of said institutions shall expire on June 1, 1949, and on said date the Commissioner of Mental Hygiene, upon recommendation of the advisory board, shall appoint a superintendent for each of said institutions. Upon every occurrence of a vacancy thereafter in the position of superintendent of any of said institutions, the Commissioner, upon recommendation of the advisory board, shall appoint the successor. Each superintendent, except the superintendent at Rosewood, shall be a trained psychiatrist and shall be familiar with the administration of institutions for the care and treatment of the insane. The superintendent of the Rosewood State [Training School] Hospital shall be a physician, preferably qualified in psychiatry or pediatrics, and preferably with experience in the field of mental retardation and familiar with the administration of institutions for the care and treatment of the mentally retarded. Their appointment shall not be subject to the provisions of the merit system law, and they shall be subject to removal by the Commissioner of Mental Hygiene for incompetency or misconduct. Each of said superintendents shall receive such compensation as shall be provided in the budget, shall be responsible to the