July 1, 1967 shall continue in office until the expiration of their respective terms. In case of a vacancy for any reason, the Governor shall appoint a member for the remainder of any unexpired term. The members of the State Board shall receive no salary for their services, but their reasonable expenses incurred in attending meetings or performing other official duties shall be paid.

- (b) The State Board shall determine basic public welfare policies and rules and regulations relative thereto consistent with and in implementation of Federal and State law governing the administration of public welfare activities financed in whole or in part by the State Department of Public Welfare; and it shall otherwise advise and counsel the State Director of Public Welfare, who shall be appointed as hereinafter provided, in the performance of his duties. The State Board's responsibility for policy shall be construed to extend to such matters as program scope, eligibility standards, levels of assistance, intergovernmental relations and other facets affecting the basic public interest. The State Board, however, shall exercise no administrative authority dealing with the activities and personnel of the State Department, except as provided in subsection (c) hereof.
- (c) The State Board may prescribe the number, salaries and minimum qualifications of all of the personnel engaged in the administration of the activities of the State Department and of the local welfare departments, created or continued under the provisions of Section 13 of this Article, as are financed in whole or in part by the State Department of Public Welfare.

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[The Board of Public Welfare shall consist of nine members to be appointed by the Governor, one of whom shall be designated by the Governor as Chairman. All members shall hold office for staggered terms of six years, the terms of three members expiring on June 1st of every second year. In case of a vacancy for any reason, the Governor shall appoint a member for the remainder of the unexpired term. The members of the Board shall receive no salary for their services, but their expenses incurred in attending meetings or performing other official duties shall be paid. The Board of Public Welfare shall be the head of said Department and it shall exercise all the powers bestowed by law upon the Department of Public Welfare.]

- (a) The State Board shall appoint a competent person to act as the State Director of Public Welfare, and as the Secretary to the State Board, who shall be paid for his services such compensation as may be provided in the budget. The State Director of Public Welfare, hereinafter referred to as the "State Director," shall be a competent person having adequate training and practical experience in social welfare work; and in making said appointment, the State Board shall be governed by Article 64A of this Code.
- (b) The State Director shall devote his whole time to the duties of his office, and shall serve as the sole administrative head of the State Department, fully responsible for the appointment, under the provisions of Article 64A of this Code, of all State Department personnel. The State Director is responsible for the organization and administration of the State Department and for the supervision