

and duties imposed and conferred by law, and shall fix their respective compensations *provided however all contracts for personal services shall be submitted to the State Commissioner of Personnel and must be approved by him.* Said Commissioners shall have power to exact from any person employed by it such indemnity bond for the faithful performance of duty as the Commission may deem proper, and said Commissioners may remove any of said persons from their positions, but only in the manner hereinafter provided. And said Commission may also rent or lease all proper and necessary offices and other places which it may deem proper and necessary for the performance of its duties and the purposes of law. The said Commission shall keep a journal in which shall be entered all its proceedings in detail, the correctness of the same to be attested at each succeeding meeting by the chairman and secretary of the Commission. Said Commission shall also keep books showing in detail all expenditures of money in the State in connection with the establishment or improvement of roads, and in connection with all work whatsoever of the Commission, which books and records shall be open to the inspection of any taxpayer of the State at any time. No member of said Commission shall become pecuniarily interested in any contract for work done or material provided in connection with any of the work of said Commission. The Commission may, from time to time, adopt such bylaws and rules of procedure for the conduct of its business as it may deem necessary, and it is authorized to establish such departments within the Commission as it deems necessary to perform properly the objectives and duties of said Commission. It shall annually compile and publish maps and statistics relating to the public roads of the State and showing the progress and status of the work done or entered upon by it and separately for the several counties. All maps, plans and statistics made, collected and compiled under its direction shall be preserved in its office and shall be open to the inspection of any taxpayer of the State. All contracts, agreements, grants, licenses, made or entered into by the Commission shall be recorded in books kept for that purpose, which shall always be open to the inspection of the public.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That new Section 15A be and it is hereby added to Article 64A of said Code, title "Merit System," to follow immediately after Section 15 thereof, and to read as follows:

Article 64A

15A.

It is the duty of the Commissioner STATE ROADS COMMISSION to submit to the State Fiscal Research Bureau, for review by the Legislative Council's Committee on Taxation and Fiscal Matters, an annual list of the approvals of contracts for personal services rendered the State Roads Commission.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1967.

Approved April 21, 1967.