

or representatives of the Department shall carefully inspect every part of the institution visited in reference to its cleanliness and sanitary conditions, the number of patients in seclusion or restraint, the dietary and treatment of the patients, and any other matters the Department may consider necessary. The Department shall from time to time cause to be made an examination of all the records and methods of administration as relate to patients, the general and special dietary and treatment of any patients confined therein, especially where admitted since the preceding visit, giving such as may desire it suitable opportunity to converse with the representative or representatives of the Department privately.

## 19B.

(a) Department to control.—The Maximum Security Hospital shall be within the general administrative control, supervision, and direction of the Department of Mental Hygiene.

(b) Superintendent—Appointment.—The Commissioner of Mental Hygiene, upon recommendation of the [advisory board] *Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene*, shall appoint a superintendent of said institution. Upon every occurrence of a vacancy thereafter in the position of superintendent, the Commissioner, upon recommendation of the [advisory board] *Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene*, shall appoint the successor.

(c) Same—qualifications; removal; compensation; duties.—The superintendent shall be a well-qualified psychiatrist who shall be familiar with the problems of the mentally ill who require maximum security. His appointment shall not be subject to the provisions of the Merit System Law, and he shall be subject to removal by the Commissioner of Mental Hygiene, *with the concurrence of the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene*, for incompetency or misconduct. The superintendent shall receive such compensation as shall be provided in the budget, shall be responsible to the Commissioner of Mental Hygiene for the operation of the institution in his charge, and shall submit to the Department such reports, including medical and financial, as the Department of Mental Hygiene may request. It shall be the duty of the superintendent to inform the Department of Mental Hygiene of the conditions in his institution, and to order that such changes as seem desirable for the welfare of the patients be put into effect, with the approval of the Department of Mental Hygiene.

## 25.

The ~~Commission~~ COMMISSIONER [Commissioner] shall report annually to the Governor *and to the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene* as promptly as possible after December 31st his acts and proceedings; also make a report of all the different institutions, public and private, and whether corporate or under individual management or control, including almshouses and county asylums where the insane or feeble-minded are kept. The report shall include a concise review of the work of the several institutions under the supervision of the Department for the year preceding, and such suggestions and recommendations as to said institutions and as to the general interests of all persons under its supervision as he considers expedient, and information embodying the experience of this country