

United States Department of Agriculture, *who shall serve ex officio*. Of the three soil conservation district supervisors first appointed to the Committee, one shall serve for one year, one for two years, one for three years, and thereafter each term shall be for a period of three years. *Of the four other persons to be appointed by the Secretary of Natural Resources, one shall serve for one year, one for two years, and two for three years, and thereafter each term shall be for a period of three years.* The Committee shall adopt a seal, which seal shall be judicially noticed, and may perform such acts, hold such public hearings, and promulgate such rules and regulations as may be necessary for the execution of its functions under this subheading.

91(b).

*Acting with the advice of the Committee, the Chairman may employ, in accordance with the provisions of the merit system, and administrative officer and such technical experts and such other agents and employees, permanent and temporary, as [it may require] may be required. [and shall determine their qualifications, duties and compensation.] The Chairman shall supervise and direct employees of the Committee. [The Committee may call upon the Attorney General of that State for such legal services as it may require.] The Committee shall utilize legal services available within the Department of Natural Resources as may be required. [It shall have authority to delegate to its chairman, to one or more of its members, or to one or more agents or employees, such powers and duties as it may deem proper.]*

91(c).

[The Committee shall designate its chairman, and may, from time to time change such designation.] A member of the Committee shall hold office so long as he shall retain the office by virtue of which he shall be serving on the Committee. A majority of the Committee shall constitute a quorum, and the concurrence of a majority in any matter within their duties shall be required for its determination. The chairman and members of the Committee shall receive no compensation for their services on the Committee, but shall be entitled to expenses, including traveling expenses, necessarily incurred in the discharge of their duties on the Committee. The Committee shall provide for the execution of surety bonds for all employees and officers who shall be entrusted with funds or property; shall provide for the keeping of a full and accurate record of all proceedings and of all resolutions, regulations, and orders issued or adopted; and shall be subject to an annual audit of the accounts of receipts and disbursements by the State Auditor.

102A.

The [State Soil Conservation Committee] *Department of Natural Resources* is hereby authorized and empowered to accept any and all allotments of federal funds and commodities granted for purposes of study and control of shore erosion, and to manage and dispose of same in whatever manner may be required by federal law, except any grants made pursuant to Section 7 of the "Soil Conservation and Domestic Allotment Act" (Public No. 46, 74th Congress, approved 27, April, 1935, as amended by Public No. 461, 74th Congress, approved February 20th, 1936).