

terms of six years, the terms of three members expiring on June 30 of every second year. The members of the State Board who are in office on August 31, 1970 shall continue in office until the expiration of their respective terms. In case of a vacancy for any reason, the Secretary of Employment and Social Services, with the approval of 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 expenses incurred in attending meetings or performing other official duties shall be paid in accordance with the standard travel regulations.

(b) The State Board shall advise and counsel and make recommendations to the Secretary of Employment and Social Services and the State Director of Social Services who shall be appointed as hereinafter provided on matters of social services policy. The State Board's responsibility for giving advice and making recommendations on matters of policy shall be construed to extend to advice and recommendations on such matters as program scope, eligibility standards, levels of assistance, intergovernmental relations and other facets affecting the basic public interest. The State Board shall exercise no authority with respect to the activities or personnel of the State Administration. The secretary of the State Board shall be appointed by the Secretary of Employment and Social Services.]

[(c)] (B) The State Director of Social Services may prescribe the number, salaries and minimum qualifications of all of the personnel engaged in the administration of the activities of the State Administration and of the local departments of social services (hereinafter referred to as "local departments"), created or continued under the provisions of § 13 of this article, as are financed in whole or in part by the State Administration.

[(d) From and after September 1, 1970, all powers, functions, duties, prerogatives, and responsibilities of the State Board of Social Services except those conferred by subsection (b) of this section shall be transferred to and exercised by the State Director of Social Services. All rules, regulations, directives, forms, orders and determinations of the State Board shall remain in effect unless and until changed by the State Director of Social Services or the Secretary of Employment and Social Services in the manner provided by law and violations of the State Board's rules or regulations remaining in effect shall continue to be subject to the penalties provided by law.]

[(e)] (C) The exercise of all authority, duties, and functions vested in the Social Services Administration or the State Director of Social Services by the provisions of this article or by any other laws of this State shall be subject to the authority of the [Secretary of Employment and Social Services] SECRETARY OF HUMAN RESOURCES as set forth in Article 41 of this Code or elsewhere in the laws of Maryland.