Governor not later than January 1 of each year, and at such other times as the Governor may require or as the Council deems appropriate.

(b) The chairman shall be appointed by the Governor. The members of the Council may elect from among themselves a vice-chairman; may appoint a secretary who need not be a member of the Council; and may adopt By-laws and rules governing their work consistent with law.

(c) Within the limits of appropriations made available to it, the Council is hereby authorized to employ such staff as may be necessary to carry out the duties assigned to it.

(d) The Council shall be entitled to call upon any department, agency or office of the State of New Jersey for such documents, materials and information as it may deem necessary, and shall be entitled to the cooperation of every department, agency, and office of the State of New Jersey.

4. Executive Order No. 40, dated May 2, 1968, is hereby superseded and rescinded and the New Jersey Mental Retardation Planning Board created thereby is hereby abolished.

5. This Executive Order shall take effect July 1, 1971.

Given, under my hand and seal this 21st day of June,

[seal] in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and seventy-one, and of the Independence of the United States, the one hundred and ninety-fifth.

/s/ WILLIAM T. CAHILL,
Governor.

Attest:
/s/ JEAN E. MULFORD,
Acting Secretary to the Governor.

STATE OF NEW JERSEY,
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

EXECUTIVE ORDER No. 21

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 17 of 1957 designated the Division of Purchase and Property in the Department of the Treasury as the official State agency for New Jersey to accept and distribute, in accordance with the applicable Federal legislation, food com-
modities or other articles made available by the Federal authorities under existing or subsequent Federal legislation; and

WHEREAS, Said Division was authorized to execute agreements required by the applicable Federal legislation or by the Federal Government for the receipt, storage, distribution and use of such food commodities and other articles, and to take all other action necessary or appropriate to co-operate with the Federal Government in carrying out the purposes of said legislation; and

WHEREAS, Recent studies and reports have indicated that greater coordination and efficiency in handling U. S. Department of Agriculture food assistance programs and commodity distribution functions can be achieved by transferring responsibility therefor to the New Jersey Department of Agriculture;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, William T. Cahill, Governor of the State of New Jersey, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and by the statutes of this State, do hereby ORDER and DIRECT:

1. Executive Order No. 17 of 1957 is hereby repealed.

2. The functions, powers and duties of the Division of Purchase and Property in the Department of the Treasury, insofar as they relate to the acceptance and distribution in accordance with the applicable Federal legislation, of food commodities or other articles made available by the Federal authorities under existing or subsequent Federal legislation, are hereby transferred to the Department of Agriculture.

3. The Department of Agriculture is designated as the official State agency for New Jersey to accept and distribute, in accordance with the applicable Federal legislation, such food commodities or other articles made available by the Federal authorities under existing or subsequent Federal legislation.

The Department of Agriculture is given full authority to execute agreements required by the applicable Federal legislation or by the Federal Government for the receipt, storage, distribution and use of such food commodities and other articles, and to take all other action necessary or appropriate to co-operate with the Federal Government in carrying out the purposes of said legislation.
4. All appropriations and other monies available and to become available to the Division of Purchase and Property for the functions, powers and duties hereby transferred shall be transferred or otherwise credited to the Department of Agriculture under the direction of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting as provided by law.

5. Such employees of the Division of Purchase and Property utilized for the performance of the functions, powers and duties hereby transferred are transferred to the Department of Agriculture.

6. Nothing herein contained shall be construed to deprive any person of any tenure rights or any right or protection provided him by Title 11 of the Revised Statutes, Civil Service, or any other under any pension law or retirement system.

7. All files, books, papers, records, equipment and other property of the Division of Purchase and Property utilized in the performance of the functions, powers, and duties hereby transferred are hereby transferred to the Department of Agriculture.

8. The Secretary of the Department of Agriculture is authorized to organize the work of his department in such manner as he deems appropriate for the performance of the functions, powers and duties hereby transferred.

9. This Executive Order shall take effect on the first day of July, 1971.

Given, under my hand and seal this 23rd day of June, [SEAL] in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and seventy-one, and of the Independence of the United States, the one hundred and ninety-fifth.

/s/ WILLIAM T. CAHILL,
Governor.

Attest:

/s/ JEAN E. MULFORD,
Acting Secretary to the Governor.