

Compensation for services not to be allowed.

6. That no governor or director of any association organized under this act, shall receive, directly or indirectly, any salary or emoluments from such association, nor shall any compensation whatever be voted, allowed, or paid by the governors or directors thereof to any governor or director for services, either as governor or director, or in any other capacity.

Exemption from tax.

7. That the property and effects of any association organized under this act, and held for its purposes to an amount not exceeding five thousand dollars, shall not be liable to the imposition of any taxes.

Health, State Board of.

1. How constituted.
2. Duties of board.

3. Election of secretary. Duties of.

An act to establish a state board of health.

P. L. 1877, p. 220.

Approved March 9, 1877.

Board, how constituted.

1. That the governor shall appoint seven persons, who, together with the secretary of state and attorney-general as *ex-officio* members, shall constitute the board of health of the state of New Jersey; the persons so appointed shall hold their offices for seven years; *provided*, that the terms of office of the seven first appointed shall be so arranged that the term of one shall expire each year, and the vacancies so created, as well as all vacancies occurring otherwise shall be filled by the governor.

Proviso.

Duties of the board.

2. That the board shall take cognizance of the interests of health and life among the citizens of this state; they shall make sanitary investigations and inquiries in respect to the people, the causes of disease, and especially of epidemics and the sources of mortality, and the effects of localities, employments, conditions and circumstances on the public health; and they shall gather such information in respect to these matters as they may deem proper for diffusion among the people; they shall also make inquiries and reports in reference to diseases affecting animals, and the methods of prevention; they shall appoint a chairman, who shall call meetings as often as every three months, or when requested to do so by three members of the board; they shall, in the month of December, make report to the governor of their investigations and opinions during the year ending December first, with such suggestions as they may deem necessary; *provided*, that the provisions of this act shall not apply to any city, borough or township in which there is a local board of health.

Report to be made to the governor.

Proviso.

Election of secretary.

3. That the board shall elect a secretary from their own number who shall superintend the work prescribed in the law, as the board may require; the entire expense in prosecuting inquiries and securing the desired information shall not exceed one thousand dollars; and said amount shall be payable by the comptroller on account rendered, and signed by the president and secretary of the board and approved by the governor.

Expenses, how paid.

Infants.

I. PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO CHILDREN.

1. Societies for prevention of cruelty to children, how organized.
2. Corporate powers.
3. May make complaint.
4. Members to have same powers as those of society for prevention of cruelty to animals.

5. Provisions of act extended.

II. ADOPTION OF CHILDREN.

6. Minors may be adopted.
7. Form of petition.
8. Circuit court to hear petition and examine parties.
9. Proceedings recorded in surrogate's office.

I. Prevention of cruelty to children.

An act for the incorporation of societies for the prevention of cruelty to children.

P. L. 1876, p. 161.

Approved April 18, 1876.

Societies, how formed and incorporated.

1. That any five or more persons of full age, a majority of whom shall be citizens of and residents within this state, who shall desire to associate themselves together for the purpose of preventing cruelty to children, may