

Board may prescribe. The salaries, compensation and necessary expenses of such Secretary and other employees shall be payable as hereafter provided.¹

An. Code, sec. 628. 1916, ch. 556, sec. 628.

664. The Board of Welfare shall have full power and control over the Maryland Penitentiary and the Maryland House of Correction, and shall have any and all incidental powers and authority appropriate and convenient to enable the said Board to fully discharge the powers of management, control, supervision, visitation and inquisition conferred upon them by this sub-title. The said Board shall have power to summon witnesses before it and to administer oaths or affirmations to such witnesses whenever, in the judgment of the said Board, it may be necessary for the effectual discharge of their duties under this sub-title; and any person, failing to appear before said Board at the time and place specified in answer to said summons, or refusing to testify, shall be punishable by a fine of not less than twenty-five nor more than fifty dollars; false swearing on the part of any such witness shall be deemed perjury, and shall be punished as such.

Acts of 1916, ch. 556, and of 1918, ch. 354, held valid and not to impair obligation of contract for convict labor made prior to their adoption. Specific performance; injunction. Nature and scope of police power. Cases reviewed. *Jones Hollow Ware Co. v. State Rds. Comn.*, 134 Md. 104.

An. Code, sec. 629. 1916, ch. 556, sec. 629.

665. The title to and possession of all the property, real and personal appertaining to the Maryland Penitentiary and the Maryland House of Correction, shall vest in and be held by the Board of Welfare,² as Trustees for the State. The said Board shall have power to purchase or otherwise acquire on behalf of the State, any real property, or interest in real property, with the consent first obtained of the Board of Public Works, that may be appropriate to the needs of said institutions, or either of them; and the said Board shall have power to purchase or otherwise acquire, on behalf of the State, to sell or otherwise dispose of, personal property, whenever such purchase or acquisition, sale or disposal, may be appropriate to the needs of said institutions, or either of them, or to the discharge of any of the official duties of said Board; the said Board shall not borrow any money that may be needed for the maintenance of said institutions, without the consent first obtained of the Board of Public Works; and the said Board shall not execute or make any mortgage or deed of trust, of any property, real or personal, held by the said Board.

The Board of Welfare shall have power to make any and all contracts, appropriate to the needs of said institutions, or either of them, or to the discharge of any of the official duties of said Board.

¹ Secs. 626 and 627 of ch. 556 of 1916 transferred all the rights, powers, duties, functions, liabilities, obligations, franchises, privileges and property enjoyed or held by the directors of the Maryland Penitentiary or the board of managers of the House of Correction to the state board of prison control, which board superseded the directors of these institutions. By ch. 29 of 1922, the department of welfare superseded the state board of prison control. See sec 661.

² Formerly the State Board of Prison Control.