

An. Code, 1924, sec. 19. 1922, ch. 307, sec. 18.

18. The Governor shall select and appoint from a list of eligibles prepared by the State Employment Commissioner, a competent person to be known as the Chief Mine Engineer, who shall be in charge of the Bureau; provided, that the first appointment under this sub-title shall be made within ninety days after the passage thereof, to become effective on the first day of October, 1922, and in case of any vacancy in the said office by reason of death, resignation or otherwise, the Governor shall appoint from a list of eligibles prepared by the State Employment Commission a competent person to fill such office.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 20. 1922, ch. 307, sec. 19.

19. No person shall be appointed Chief Mine Engineer who shall not have had at least ten years' practical experience as a mining engineer in the bituminous coal mining industry, and who does not possess a practical and scientific knowledge of the working, ventilation and drainage of bituminous coal mines and of all noxious and dangerous gases found in such mines; provided, that graduation in mining engineering from a school of recognized standing shall be considered as equivalent to two years active practice.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 21. 1922, ch. 307, sec. 20.

20. Before entering upon the duties of his office, the Chief Mine Engineer shall take the oath prescribed by the Constitution, and he shall render an account monthly of his expenses necessarily incurred in the discharge of his duties, and also an account of the expenses necessarily incurred by the district mine inspectors which he may approve, and such expenses shall be paid by warrant of the Comptroller, in such amounts as shall not exceed such allowance as may from time to time be provided therefor by appropriation or other law.

The Chief Mine Engineer shall devote his entire time to the duties of his office, and shall have no interest, direct or indirect, in any mining operation or mining investment in this or in any contiguous State.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 22. 1922, ch. 307, sec. 21.

21. The Bureau shall be provided such office and such branch offices for its district inspectors, with such furniture, equipment, records, books, blanks, supplies, technical instruments, textbooks and facilities as the Governor, upon recommendation of the Chief Mine Engineer, approved by the Commissioner of Labor and Statistics, may allow and as may from time to time be provided for by appropriation or other law. All such equipment, supplies and other property shall be the property of the State and remain with and for the use of the Bureau. The Chief Mine Engineer shall also be provided with such clerical help, agents, experts and other employees as the Governor may allow and as may from time to time be provided for by appropriation or other law; such employees to be appointed from lists of eligibles previously prepared and certified from for such appointment by the State Employment Commissioner.

CHAPTER II—*Duties of Bureau and Chief Mine Engineer.*

An. Code, 1924, sec. 23. 1922, ch. 307, sec. 22.

22. The Bureau shall supervise the execution and enforcement of all laws enacted for the health and safety of persons and protection and con-