

*dwelling purposes within his jurisdiction for the purpose of making an inspection, which, under the provisions of this Article, he may deem necessary to be made.*

*(f) The State Fire Marshal may at any time investigate as to the origin or circumstances of any fire or explosion or attempt to cause fire or explosion occurring in the State. The State Fire Marshal shall have the authority at all times of the day or night, in performance of the duties imposed by the provisions of this Article, to enter upon and examine any building or premises where any fires or attempt to cause fires shall have occurred, or which at the time may be burning, and also the power to enter upon at any time any building adjacent to that in which the fire or attempt to cause fires occurred, should he deem it necessary in the proper discharge of his duties; and he may, in the exercise of his discretion, take full control and custody of the said buildings and premises, and place such person in charge thereof as he may deem proper, until his examination and investigation shall be completed.*

*(g) The State Fire Marshal, in making said inspection or investigation, may, when in his judgment said proceedings are necessary, take the testimony on oath of all persons supposed to be cognizant of any facts, or to have the means of knowledge in relation to the matter herein required to be examined and inquired into, and to cause the said testimony to be reduced to writing; and when, in his judgment, such examination discloses that the fire or explosion or attempt to cause a fire or explosion was of incendiary origin, the State Fire Marshal may arrest the supposed incendiary or cause him to be arrested and charged with the crime; and shall transmit a copy of the testimony so taken to the State's attorney for the county or city wherein said fire or explosion or attempt to cause a fire or explosion occurred.*

*(h) The State Fire Marshal shall have power to subpoena witnesses, and to compel their attendance before him to testify in relation to any matter which is, by the provision of this Article, a subject of inquiry and investigation by the State Fire Marshal, and shall also have power to cause to be produced before him such papers as he may require in making such examination. The State Fire Marshal is hereby authorized to administer oaths and affirmations to persons appearing as witnesses before him; and false swearing in any matter or proceeding aforesaid shall be deemed perjury and shall be punishable as such.*

*(i) The State Fire Marshal may deputize a member of any fire department, duly organized and operating in this State, who is approved by the chief of his department and who is properly qualified through a training course of not less than three days and who has successfully passed an examination upon the same, or other suitable persons, to act as his deputies for the purpose of making such inspections and investigations and carrying out such orders as may be prescribed by him, to enforce and make effective the provisions of this Article, and of any and all regulations promulgated by the State Fire Prevention Commission, under authority thereof.*

*(j) The State Fire Marshal shall, at the request of the board of fire commissioners of the City of Baltimore, or the county commissioners of any county, or the municipal authorities of any incorporated city or town in this State, make to them a written report of the*