

such equal yearly installments, not exceeding ten, with legal interest thereon, and at such time in each year as the said council or other governing body shall determine; *provided*, that any owner assessed shall have the privilege of paying the whole of any assessment or any balance of installments, with accrued interest thereon, at one time; in case any such installment shall remain unpaid for thirty days from and after the time when the same shall have become due and payable, the whole assessment or the balance due thereon shall become and be immediately due and payable, shall draw interest at the rate of one per centum per month, and shall be collected in the same manner as is provided by law applicable to such city for the collection of other past due assessments; whenever any owner shall be given the privilege of paying any assessment in installments, such assessment shall remain a lien upon the land described therein until the same, with all installments and accrued interest thereon shall be paid and satisfied, and no proceedings to collect or enforce the same need be taken until default shall be made in the payment of any installment as above provided.

9. This act shall take effect immediately.
Approved April 8, 1915.

CHAPTER 241.

An Act to establish a Department of Conservation and Development and to consolidate therein the State Water Supply Commission, the Board of Forest Park Reservation Commissioners, the State Geological Survey, the Washington Crossing Commission, the State Museum Commission and the Fort Nonsense Park Commission.

BE IT ENACTED *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey*:

Name. 1. A department of conservation and development is hereby established, and the same shall be governed by

a board to be known as the "Board of Conservation and Development."

2. The Board of Conservation and Development shall consist of eight members, not more than four of whom shall be members of the same political party, and all of whom shall be residents of the State.

3. The members of the Board of Conservation and Development shall be appointed by the Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, for the following terms, to commence on the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen: two for one year, two for two years, two for three years, and two for four years. Annually thereafter, two members shall be appointed for a term of four years. Vacancies shall be filled for the unexpired terms. The board shall meet every month in the State House, in Trenton, at such times as its rules may prescribe, and at such other times and places within the State as, in its judgment, may be necessary. The board shall elect one of its members president who shall hold office for one year and until his successor shall be elected.

The members of the board shall receive no compensation for their services, but the State Treasurer shall, upon the warrant of the State Comptroller, pay their necessary expenses.

4. The board shall select a person who shall be known as the "Director of Conservation and Development," who shall be a resident of this State and a qualified engineer, forester or geologist, who shall also be one of the division chiefs. In case the board cannot agree because of a tie vote therein, upon the selection of a director, the Governor shall be requested to sit with said board for the purpose of casting the deciding vote. Said Director of Conservation and Development shall receive a salary of not more than five thousand dollars per annum, to be paid out of the treasury of this State as the salaries of other employees are now, or may hereafter be, paid. He shall devote his entire time to the duties of his office, and shall serve for a term of four years, and until his successor has been appointed and qualified.

Membership.

Appointment.

Terms.

Vacancies.

Meetings.

President.

No salary;
expenses met.

Director.

In case of tie.

Salary.

Service and
term.

Rights, powers, duties.	5. The Board of Conservation and Development shall succeed to and exercise all the rights and powers and perform all the duties now exercised and performed by or conferred and charged upon the State Water Supply Commission, the Board of Forest Park Reservation Commissioners, the State Geological Survey, the Washington Crossing Commission, the State Museum Commission and the Fort Nonsense Park Commission.
Subdivisions of department.	6. The Board of Conservation and Development shall also have the power to create subdepartments or divisions, to take specific charge of the different lines of work contemplated in this act, and shall have power to appoint heads or chiefs of such departments or divisions, which heads or chiefs of said subdepartments or divisions shall be experts of recognized standing in their respective professions. One of these chiefs shall be named by the board as director. The board shall define the duties of the director and the chiefs of divisions and may designate a chief as acting director during the absence or disability of the director.
Heads or chiefs.	
Duties of chiefs defined by board.	7. The Board of Conservation and Development shall have full control and direction of all State conservation and development projects and of all work in any way relating thereto, except such work as is conferred upon other boards, not included within the provisions of this act. It shall make such rules and regulations governing work of the department, and the conduct of its employees as, in its opinion, may be necessary to conserve, develop and promote the interests of the State, in all matters herein committed to its charge. It shall fix the salaries of all employees.
Acting director.	
Control and direction exercised by board.	8. The director shall be ex officio secretary of the board. The chiefs of divisions shall be subject to the rules and regulations of the board, and shall exercise general supervision over all conservation and development projects in their respective departments and all work in any way relating thereto. They shall be and hereby are charged with the enforcement of all laws relating to the powers and duties of the board in their
Rules and regulations.	
Salaries.	
Annual report.	The Board of Conservation and Development shall report annually to the Legislature.
Secretary.	
Supervision.	
Enforcement of laws.	

divisions, and shall obtain, collect and preserve such information relating to the State's natural resources and to their conservation and development, and also relating to the work of the department as may be useful, in the discharge of their duties, or which may contribute to the advancement of the State's resources. They may, and any person authorized by them so to do may, without fee or hindrance, enter upon, examine and survey all lands and waters of the State.

Obtain and preserve information as to State's resources.

Entrance to lands and waters.

9. The Board of Conservation and Development by its presiding officer, each of its committees by its chairman, and the Director of Conservation and Development shall have authority to administer oaths and to examine, under oath, in any part of the State, witnesses in any matter relating to the powers and duties of the department and to the conservation and development of the State's resources. For this purpose it may issue subpoenas, signed by its president and secretary, requiring the attendance of witnesses and the production of books and papers in any part of the State before it, or before any of its committees, or before the Director of Conservation, and any person who, being served with a subpoena issued pursuant to the provisions of this act, shall fail to attend or who shall fail to give testimony, unless such testimony incriminate him or subject him to a fine or punishment, shall be liable to a penalty of five hundred dollars for each and every offense, to be recovered in the name of the State of New Jersey; said penalty, when recovered, to be paid into the treasury of the State of New Jersey; and it shall be the duty of the Attorney-General to prosecute any and all actions for the recovery of penalties, when requested so to do, and when, in his judgment, the facts and the law warrant such prosecution. Any person who, having been sworn by the presiding officer of the board, or the chairman of any of its committees, or by the Director of Conservation and Development, wilfully gives false testimony, shall be guilty of perjury.

Oaths and witnesses.

Issue subpoenas.

Penalty for not observing subpoena.

Recovery of penalty.

10. The Director of Conservation and Development may be removed by the Governor, after a hearing; *provided*, that charges against him have been submitted

Removal of director.

Proviso.

Proviso.	in writing, signed by a majority of the members of the board; <i>and provided, further</i> , that the Governor finds such charges to be true in fact, and their nature such that, in his opinion, the best interests of the State demand the removal of said Director.
Appointments and tenure.	11. All of the officers and employees of the Department of Conservation and Development shall be appointed and shall hold their positions subject to the provisions of an act entitled "An act regulating the employment, tenure and discharge of certain officers and employees of this State, and of the various counties and municipalities thereof, and providing for a Civil Service Commission, and defining its powers and duties," approved April tenth, one thousand nine hundred and eight.
Codification of laws of each division.	12. Immediately upon the organization and establishment of the Board of Conservation and Development, it shall become the duty of the heads or chiefs of the several subdepartments to codify the various laws which have been passed, from time to time, relating to or concerning, in any way whatsoever, their respective departments, which codification shall set forth, in a clear and comprehensive manner, the origin of such department, meaning thereby its creative act, after which shall follow, in their proper order, all existing acts amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto, and all acts relating to its consolidation (if any there has been) with any other board or boards, commission or commissions, department or departments. Said work of codification shall continue, from year to year, after the principle herein set forth, with the idea of preserving, in concrete form, the history and development, or evolution, so to speak, of each special department, and contributing materially to a better and more comprehensive understanding of all laws relating thereto, and of the powers and duties devolved upon said departments by said acts.
Object of codification.	
Explanation of terms.	13. Whenever, in any act, the words the "State Water Supply Commission," the "Board of Forest Park Reservation Commissioners," the "State Geological Survey," the "Washington Crossing Commission," the "State Museum Commission," and the "Fort Nonsense Park

Commission," are used, the same shall be taken to be and to mean the Board of Conservation and Development.

14. The terms of office of the Forest Park Reservation Commissioners, the Managers of the State Geological Survey, the Washington Crossing Commissioners, the State Museum Commissioners, and the Fort Nonsense Park Commissioners, as members of the commissions and boards included in this act shall end on the thirtieth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, and of the State Water Supply Commissioners, on the thirtieth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and sixteen.

Expiration of terms of various commissioners.

15. The officers and employees now in the employ of the said boards or commissions hereby consolidated shall be retained in their present offices or positions and shall continue as employees of the Department of Conservation and Development unless removed in accordance with the provisions of an act entitled "An act regulating the employment, tenure, and discharge of certain officers and employees of this State and of the various counties and municipalities thereof, and providing for a Civil Service Commission, and defining its powers and duties," approved April tenth, one thousand nine hundred and eight. The Director of Conservation and Development, however, may, with the approval of the board abolish any office or position, which, in his judgment, it may be unnecessary to retain.

Retention of present employees.

May abolish positions.

16. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect on the thirtieth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen; *providing* that this act shall not take effect as regards to or be construed to include the State Water Supply Commission until the thirtieth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and sixteen, which commission shall retain all the rights, powers and duties heretofore conferred upon it by law and shall continue to discharge such powers and duties until the thirtieth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and sixteen, notwithstanding anything in this act contained; *provided, however*, that if any section or parts thereof of this act shall be ques-

Repealer.

Act in effect.

Proviso.

Proviso.

Constitution-
ality of act.

tioned in any court, and shall be held to be unconstitutional and void, the sections or parts thereof so declared to be invalid shall be excised, and the balance of the act shall stand as though said sections or parts thereof had never been included within the provisions of this act.

Approved April 8, 1915.

CHAPTER 242.

An Act creating a department to be known as the Board of Commerce and Navigation, and vesting therein all the powers and duties now devolved, by law, upon the Board of Riparian Commissioners, the Department of Inland Waterways, the Inspectors of Power Vessels, and the New Jersey Harbor Commission.

BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:

Name.

1. A department of commerce and navigation is hereby established, and the same shall be governed by a board to be known as the "Board of Commerce and Navigation."

Membership.

2. The Board of Commerce and Navigation shall consist of eight members, not more than four of whom shall be members of the same political party, and all of whom shall be residents of the State. No riparian leases or grants shall be allowed by the board except when approved and signed by the Governor.

Riparian
grants ap-
proved by
Governor.

Appointment
and terms.

3. The members of the Board of Commerce and Navigation shall be appointed by the Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, for the following terms, to commence on the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen; two for one year, two for two years, two for three years, and two for four