

Social Security

CHAPTER 245

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SECURITY

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245.01 ORGANIZATION. The department of social security shall be organized with a division of public institutions, a division of social welfare, and a division of employment and security. Each division shall be under the supervision and control of a director, who shall be appointed by the governor by and with the advice and consent of the senate. The term of office of each of the directors first appointed shall expire on February 1, 1943, after which the term of office of each director shall be for a term of four years. The several directors shall be removable by the governor for cause after notice and hearing. The directors shall be selected on the basis of ability and experience in their respective fields of service and without regard to political affiliations. They shall not engage in any manner in partisan politics during their term in office. Subject to the provisions of all applicable laws, now or hereafter enacted, each director shall have power to organize his division in such manner and to appoint such subordinate officers, employees, and agents as he may deem necessary to discharge the functions of the division; and define the duties of such officers, employees, and agents, and to delegate to them any of his powers or duties, subject to his control and under such conditions as he may prescribe. Appointments to exercise delegated power shall be written orders filed with the secretary of state. Each director shall receive an annual salary of \$7,800 payable semimonthly.

[1939 c 431 art 7 s 1; 1949 c 739 s 9] (3199-101)

245.02 SOCIAL SECURITY BOARD. The directors of the divisions of the department of social security shall constitute the social security board, which shall be an agency of the department. The director of social welfare shall act as chairman of the board, and the director of public institutions, or his designated agent, shall act as secretary of the board. The board shall have the power and duty to coordinate the functions, activities, budgets, and expenditures of the several divisions of the department and to provide for the prompt exchange of information between divisions so as to avoid duplication and promote efficiency and economy. In all cases where the different divisions have similar or related functions, it shall be the duty of the board to provide, by rules and regulations, for the joint use by such divisions of information, services, and facilities relating to the performance of such functions, so far as practicable. Otherwise the board shall not have power to direct or control the acts of any member of the department except as expressly authorized by law.

[1939 c. 431 art. 7 s. 5] (3199-105)