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## Private Acts of 1933 Chapter 809

**SECTION 1.** That the office of Director of Health of Marion County is hereby created. The Director of Health shall be elected by the people at the August election when other county officers are selected and shall hold office for a term of four years, beginning on September 1 following his election. The person selected as Director of Health shall be a resident of the County, the graduate of a reputable medical school and a person licensed to practice medicine in the State of Tennessee.

Until the election of a Director of Health at the regular August election in 1934, Dr. S.N. Anderson, who possesses the qualifications prescribed by this Act, is hereby designated to serve and act as Director of Health of Marion County.

In the event of a vacancy in the said office of Director of Health, the Quarterly County Court is authorized to select some person to fill the said office until the next regular county election for such officers.

It shall be the duty of the Director of Health to furnish medical and surgical attention to persons confined in the county jail, the county workhouse and the county poorhouse, whenever such persons require attention.

It shall be the duty of the Director of Health to co-operate with the State Department of Health and to carry into effect such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the said State Department of Health.

It shall be the duty of the Director of Health to investigate any case or suspected case of a communicable disease and on discovering that such disease exists, to isolate and quarantine the diseased person.

It shall be the duty of the Director of Health to investigate the purity and potability of any public water supply used in the county, and to take such steps under the laws of the State as any public health officer might take to prevent the using of contaminated water.

It shall be the duty of the Director of Health to enforce any and all health statutes of the State and to exercise such rights and powers as are by law vested in a county health officer or county physician.

It shall be the duty of the Director of Health to supervise the health and to exercise his powers and authority in municipalities of the county.

**SECTION 2.** That the Director of Health shall receive as compensation for his services a salary of \$480.00 per annum, payable monthly, out of the general funds of the county.

**SECTION 3.** That this Act shall take effect from and after its passage, the public welfare requiring it.

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