§ 200. Office of general services. There is hereby created an office of general services in the executive department. The head of the office of general services shall be the commissioner of general services. He shall be appointed by the governor by and with the advice and consent of the senate and hold office during the pleasure of the governor. He shall receive a salary to be fixed by the governor within the amount appropriated therefor. Such commissioner, subject to rules prescribed by the governor, may establish such bureaus or divisions in the office of general services as he may deem necessary and may appoint such deputies, directors, assistants and other employees as may be needed for the performance of his duties and may prescribe their powers and duties and fix their compensation within the amount appropriated therefor. Such office may have an office seal. The principal office of the office of general services shall be in the city of Albany, and branch offices may be established by direction of the governor, subject to appropriations for their maintenance.

Such commissioner may adopt, amend or rescind rules and regulations relating to the discharge of his functions, powers and duties and those of the office of general services as prescribed by law. Nothing contained herein shall limit or impair compliance with the requirements of section one hundred sixty-three of the state finance law, with respect to rules promulgated by the commissioner pursuant to such section.