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SEC. 12. Neither the Board of Supervisors, the Board of Education, nor any officer of the said city and county, or of any district, shall have any power to contract any debt or liability, in any form whatsoever, against the said city and county; nor shall the people or tax-payers, or any property therein, ever be liable to be assessed for, or on account of, any debt or liability hereafter contracted, or supposed, or attempted to be contracted, in contravention of this section.

SEC. 13. Balie Peyton, E. J. Moore, J. B. Crockett, Louis McLane, Jr., and E. R. Carpentier, shall appoint, in each of the districts to be erected in said city and county, as aforesaid, one Inspector and two Judges of Election, by whom the first election under this Act shall be held. The term of office of all officers elected under this Act, shall commence on Monday following the day of election, unless otherwise already provided by law.

SEC. 14. All officers of the said city and county must, before they can enter upon their official duties, give bond as required by law. The bonds and sureties of such officers must be approved by the County Judge, Auditor, and President of the Board of Supervisors. Where the amount of such official bond is not fixed by law, it shall be fixed by the Board of Supervisors. No banker residing or doing business in said city and county, nor any such banker's partner, clerk, employé, agent, attorney, father, son, or brother, shall be received as surety for the Treasurer, President of the Board of Supervisors, Sheriff, Auditor, nor any officer having the collection, custody, or disbursement of money. No person can be admitted as surety on any such bond, unless he be worth, in fixed property, including mortgages, situated in said city and county, the amount of his undertaking, over and above all sums for which he is already liable, or in any manner bound, whether as principal, indorser, or security, and whether such prior obligation or liability be conditional or absolute, liquidated or unliquidated, certain or contingent, due or to become due. All persons offered as sureties on official bonds, may be examined on oath touching their qualifications. The official bond of the Auditor shall be filed and kept in the office of the Clerk of said city and county. All other official bonds shall be filed and kept in the office of the Auditor. All officers continued in office under this Act shall be required to execute new bonds, conformable to laws heretofore existing, and, in case of default on the part of any officer of doing so within two days after the first meeting of the Board of Supervisors, the said Board shall declare his office vacant.—[Amendment March 28, 1859.]