

fiscal year. Demands for monthly pay of Police Captains and Officers must, before they can be allowed by the Auditor or paid, first be approved by the Police Judge and Chief of Police, or if they refuse or cannot agree, then by the Board of Supervisors. All other lawful demands payable out of the treasury, or any public funds of said city and county, and not hereinbefore in this section specified, must, before they can be allowed by the Auditor, or in any manner be recognized or paid, be first approved by the Board of Supervisors; or, if the demand be under two hundred dollars, by the President and two members thereof, appointed by the Board for that purpose, with power to act under and subject to its instruction and regulations during recess of the said Board. The Auditor must number and keep a record of all demands on the treasury allowed by him, showing the number, date, amount, and name of the original and present holder; on what account allowed, out of what fund payable, and, if previously approved, by what officer, officers, or Board it has been so approved; and it shall be deemed a misdemeanor in office for the Auditor to deliver any demand with his allowance thereon, until this requisite shall have been complied with.—[Amendment April 18, 1857.]

SEC. 86. The President of the Board of Supervisors, Auditor, Chief of Police, President of the Board of Education, and each Supervisor, shall have power to administer oaths and affirmations concerning any demand on the treasury, or otherwise relating to their official duties. Every officer who shall approve, allow, or pay any demand on the treasury not authorized by this act, shall be liable to the city and county, individually, and on his official bond, for the amount of the demand so illegally approved, allowed, or paid. Every citizen shall have the right to inspect the books of the Auditor, Treasurer, and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, at any time during business hours. Copies, or extracts from said books, duly certified, shall be given by the officer having the same in his custody, to any citizen demanding the same, and paying or tendering sixteen cents per folio of one hundred words for such copies or extracts.—[Amendment April 18, 1857.]

SEC. 87. The Auditor is the head of the Finance Department of the city and county, and as such is required to be constantly acquainted with the exact condition of the treasury, and every lawful demand upon it. He shall keep a public office, and give his personal attendance there daily, during the office hours fixed in this act, and shall not be permitted to follow or engage in any other occupation, office, or calling, while he holds said office; if he absents himself from his office during such office hours, except on indispensable official business, or urgent necessity, he shall lose his salary for the day, and it shall be a part of his official duty to keep account of the times and occasions when he shall be so absent from duty.

SEC. 88. Every lawful demand upon the treasury, duly audited, as in this act required, shall in all cases be paid on presentation and canceled, and the proper entry thereof be made, if there be sufficient money in the treasury belonging to the fund out of which it is payable; but if there be not sufficient money belonging to said fund to pay such demand, then it shall be registered in a book to be kept by the Treasurer for that purpose, showing its number, when presented, date, amount, name of the original holder, and on what account allowed, and out of what fund payable; and being so registered, shall be returned to the party presenting it with an indorsement of the word "registered," dated and signed by the Treasurer.

SEC. 89. Whenever any audited demand has been presented to the Treasurer and not paid, and it be made known to the President of the Board of Supervisors, he shall proceed immediately to investigate the cause of such non-payment; and if it be ascertained that the demand has been illegally and fraudulently approved or allowed, he shall cause the officer guilty of such illegal and fraudulent approval or allowance, to be proceeded against for misconduct in office. If he ascertain that the demand has been duly audited, and that the Treasurer has funds applicable to the payment thereof, which, without reasonable grounds for doubt as to the legality of such payment, he refuses to apply thereto, he shall proceed against him as a defaulter; if it be ascertained that the demand was not paid for want of funds, then he shall cause the Sheriff or Tax Collector, or other officer or person or persons, who ought to have collected or to have paid the money into the treasury, if they have been grossly negligent therein, to be proceeded against according to law, and without any delay.

SEC. 90. The salaries, fees, and compensations of all officers, including policemen and employes of all classes, and all teachers in common schools, or others, employed at fixed wages, shall be payable monthly; and any demand whatsoever upon the treasury hereafter accruing, shall not be paid, but shall be forever barred by limitation of time, unless the same be presented for payment, properly audited, within one month after such demand became due and payable; or if it be a demand which has to be passed and approved by the Board of Supervisors, or Board of Education, then, within one month after the regular session of the proper Board, held next after the demand accrued, or unless the Board of Supervisors shall, within six months after the demand accrued as aforesaid, on a careful investigation of the facts, certify that the same is in all respects just and legal, and that the presentation of it as above required was not in the power either of the original party interested, or his agent, or the present holder, in which case it