

public debt, and for other purposes, approved March fourteenth, nineteen hundred, as amended by the Act approved March fourth, nineteen hundred and seven, be, and the same is hereby, further amended so as to read as follows:

"SEC. 6. That the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized and directed to receive deposits of gold coin with the Treasurer, or any assistant treasurer of the United States, in sums of not less than twenty dollars, and to issue gold certificates therefor in denominations of not less than ten dollars, and the coin so deposited shall be retained in the Treasury and held for the payment of such certificates on demand, and used for no other purpose. Such certificates shall be receivable for customs, taxes, and all public dues, and when so received may be reissued, and when held by any national banking association may be counted as a part of its lawful reserve: *Provided*, That whenever and so long as the gold coin and bullion held in the reserve fund in the Treasury for the redemption of United States notes and Treasury notes shall fall and remain below one hundred million dollars the authority to issue certificates as herein provided shall be suspended: *And provided further*, That whenever and so long as the aggregate amount of United States notes and silver certificates in the general fund of the Treasury shall exceed sixty million dollars the Secretary of the Treasury may, in his discretion, suspend the issue of the certificates herein provided for: *And provided further*, That of the amount of such outstanding certificates one-fourth at least shall be in denominations of fifty dollars or less: *And provided further*, That the Secretary of the Treasury may, in his discretion, issue such certificates in denominations of ten thousand dollars, payable to order: *And provided further*, That the Secretary of the Treasury may, in his discretion, receive, with the assistant treasurer in New York and the assistant treasurer in San Francisco, deposits of foreign gold coin at their bullion value in amounts of not less than one thousand dollars in value and issue gold certificates therefor of the description herein authorized: *And provided further*, That the Secretary of the Treasury may, in his discretion, receive, with the Treasurer or any assistant treasurer of the United States, deposits of gold bullion bearing the stamp of the coinage mints of the United States, or the assay office in New York, certifying their weight, fineness, and value, in amounts of not less than one thousand dollars in value, and issue gold certificates therefor of the description herein authorized. But the amount of gold bullion and foreign coin so held shall not at any time exceed one-third of the total amount of gold certificates at such time outstanding. And section fifty-one hundred and ninety-three of the Revised Statutes of the United States is hereby repealed."

Approved, March 2, 1911.

**CHAP. 191.**—An Act To authorize the receipt of certified checks drawn on national and State banks for duties on imports and internal taxes, and for other purposes.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That it shall be lawful for collectors of customs and of internal revenue to receive for duties on imports and internal taxes certified checks drawn on national and State banks, and trust companies during such time and under such regulations as the Secretary of the Treasury may prescribe. No person, however, who may be indebted to the United States on account of duties on imports or internal taxes who shall have tendered a certified check or checks as provisional payment for such duties or taxes, in accordance with the terms of this Act, shall be released from the obligation to make ultimate payment thereof until such certified check so

Gold certificates issued for deposits of gold coin.

Denominations.

*Provisos.*  
Suspension of issue if reserve fund below \$100,000,000.

On increase of silver certificates, etc., in the Treasury.

Denomination of outstanding certificates.

Large notes.

Issue for bullion value of foreign gold coin.

Issue for stamped bullion.

Maximum.

R. S. sec. 5193, p. 1004, repealed.

March 2, 1911.  
[H. R. 30570.]

[Public, No. 440.]

Certified checks. Accepted for customs duties and internal revenue.

Ultimate payment.

Lien if not paid.

received has been duly paid; and if any such check so received is not duly paid by the bank on which it is drawn and so certifying, the United States shall, in addition to its right to exact payment from the party originally indebted therefor, have a lien for the amount of such check upon all the assets of such bank; and such amount shall be paid out of its assets in preference to any or all other claims whatsoever against said bank, except the necessary costs and expenses of administration and the reimbursement of the United States for the amount expended in the redemption of the circulating notes of such bank.

Effective June 1, 1911.

SEC. 2. That this Act shall be effective on and after June first, nineteen hundred and eleven.

Approved, March 2, 1911.

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[H. R. 31856.]

[Public, No. 441.]

CHAP. 192.—An Act Making appropriations to provide for the expenses of the government of the District of Columbia for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and twelve, and for other purposes.

District of Columbia appropriations. Half from District revenues.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the half of the following sums named, respectively, is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, and the other half out of the revenues of the District of Columbia, in full for the purposes following, being for the expenses of the government of the District of Columbia for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and twelve, namely:

General expenses.

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Executive office. Salaries of commissioners, etc. Assistants to engineer commissioner. Vol. 20, p. 103.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE: Two commissioners, at five thousand dollars each; engineer commissioner, two hundred and eighty dollars (to make salary five thousand dollars); additional compensation for two assistants to the engineer commissioner, detailed from the Engineer Corps of the United States Army, under Act of Congress approved June eleventh, eighteen hundred and seventy-eight, two, at two hundred and fifty dollars each; secretary, two thousand four hundred dollars; two assistant secretaries to commissioners, one at one thousand four hundred dollars, and one at one thousand two hundred dollars; clerk, one thousand six hundred dollars; clerk, one thousand five hundred dollars; clerk, one thousand three hundred dollars; two clerks at one thousand two hundred dollars each; clerk, who shall be a stenographer and typewriter, one thousand dollars; clerk, eight hundred and forty dollars; clerk, seven hundred and twenty dollars; clerk, six hundred dollars; messenger, six hundred dollars; messenger, four hundred and eighty dollars; stenographer and typewriter, eight hundred and forty dollars; two drivers, at six hundred dollars each;

Index to District laws, etc.

For services, supplies, and printing, in the preparation of an index of the laws of Congress relating to the District of Columbia, and of the laws of former municipal governments in the District which are still in force, also consolidating indexes of orders and of opinions of the corporation counsel, and other records, one thousand six hundred dollars;

Veterinary surgeon.

Veterinary division: Veterinary surgeon for all horses in the departments of the District government, one thousand two hundred dollars;

Purchasing division. Purchasing officer, duties, bond, etc.

Purchasing division: Purchasing officer, who shall, under the direction of the commissioners, supervise the purchase and distribution of all supplies, stores, and construction materials for the use of the government of the District of Columbia, and who shall give bond in such sum as the commissioners may determine, two thousand seven