

and apart from each other and not allowed to communicate with each other until they have been examined.

SECTION 5.—The fire marshal, the fire commissioners of the city of Boston, the board of fire engineers in all towns and cities where such board is established, and the mayor and aldermen in cities and the selectmen in towns where no board of fire engineers exists, shall have the right at all reasonable hours, for the purposes of examination, to enter into and upon all buildings and premises within their jurisdiction. Whenever any of said officers shall find in any building or upon any premises combustible material or inflammable conditions dangerous to the safety of such building or premises they shall order the same to be removed or remedied, and such order shall be forthwith complied with by the owner or occupant of said building or premises: *provided, however*, that if the said owner or occupant shall deem himself aggrieved by such order he may, within twenty-four hours, appeal to the fire marshal, and the cause of the complaint shall be at once investigated by the direction of the latter, and unless by his authority the order of the board above named is revoked, such order shall remain in force and be forthwith complied with by said owner or occupant. The fire marshal, fire commissioners, fire engineers, mayor and aldermen, or selectmen, as aforesaid, shall make an immediate investigation as to the presence of combustible material or the existence of inflammable conditions in any building or upon any premises under their jurisdiction, upon complaint of any person having an interest in said buildings or premises or property adjacent thereto. Any owner or occupant of buildings or premises, failing to comply with the orders of the authorities above-specified, shall be punished by a fine of not less than ten dollars nor more than fifty dollars for each day's neglect.

SECTION 6.—Any city or town officer referred to in section two who neglects or refuses to comply with any of the requirements of this act shall be punished by a fine of not less than twenty-five dollars nor more than two hundred dollars.

SECTION 7.—The fire marshal shall receive an annual salary of forty-five hundred dollars, and the deputy fire marshal twenty-five hundred dollars. Said fire marshal may employ clerks and assistants, and incur such expenses as may be necessary in the performance of his duties, not to exceed such sum as the general court may appropriate each year, all of which shall be paid out of the treasury of the Commonwealth. The insurance commissioner shall approve all accounts of the fire marshal before they are submitted to the auditor of the Commonwealth for payment, and the said accounts shall be allowed in the same manner as other claims against the Commonwealth.

SECTION 8.—The fire marshal shall have an office in the city of Boston, shall not engage in any other business, and he or his deputy shall at all times be in the city of Boston, ready for such duties as are required by this act. The rent of his office shall be audited and paid as provided for in section seven.