

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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THE LEGISLATURE

OF THE

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FORTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE.

SENATE.

No. 8.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND SIXTY-FOUR.

AN ACT providing for bounties to soldiers.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows :

SECTION 1. There shall be paid from the state
2 treasury, to each person who shall be enlisted and
3 mustered into the service of the United States, on the
4 quota of this state, and who shall be credited to the
5 quota of any town which, prior to the date of such
6 enlistment, shall have furnished its full number of
7 troops called for up to, and including the month of
8 October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight
9 hundred and sixty-three, a bounty of three hundred
10 dollars subject to the restrictions and limitations con-
11 tained in the following sections :

SECT. 2. No person enlisted since the second day
2 of February, A. D., one thousand eight hundred and
3 sixty-four, shall be entitled to receive such bounty,
4 who shall be credited to any town other than that in
5 which he has his residence, if he have a residence in
6 this state, unless, at the time of his enlistment or
7 muster, the full number of his own town shall have
8 been obtained and accepted.

SECT. 3. Soldiers already in the service, and re-en-
2 listing, shall be paid such bounty under the same reg-
3 ulations and conditions as those enlisting for the first
4 time.

SECT. 4. No person shall be entitled to receive from
2 this state, or any town in it, any bounty in addition
3 to the sum provided for in this act.

SECT. 5. Any sum paid as bounty from any source,
2 except from the United States, to any such soldier,
3 shall be deducted from the amount to be paid from
4 the state treasury.

SECT. 6. Cities, towns and plantations are hereby
2 authorized to raise a sum of money not exceeding
3 twenty-five dollars for each man of its proportion of
4 troops required by any call by the president, to be
5 used in paying recruiting agents and other expenses
6 of enlistment, which shall be assessed and collected in

7 the same manner as other moneys raised for necessary
8 municipal purposes.

SECT. 7. Any city, town, or plantation is hereby
2 authorized to make temporary provision for, and pay
3 to its recruits such bounty, under the aforesaid condi-
4 tions, which shall be reimbursed to it from the state
5 treasury, but payment of a greater sum than three
6 hundred dollars per man, shall operate as a forfeiture
7 of the right to reimbursement, in the case of each
8 person so overpaid.

SECT. 8. This act shall take effect on its approval
2 by the governor.

AMENDMENTS.

A.

Amend by striking out sections one and two, and insert the following:

SECTION 1. There shall be paid from the treasury 2 of the state to each person who shall enlist and be 3 mustered into the service of the United States, on 4 the quota of this state, under the call of the pres- 5 ident of February first, eighteen hundred sixty-four, 6 a bounty of three hundred dollars, subject to the 7 following limitations:

8 *First*, No person liable to do military duty by the 9 laws of the United States, and to enrolment in this 10 state, enlisting since February second, eighteen hun- 11 dred sixty-four, and receiving the above bounty, 12 shall be credited to any city, town or plantation 13 other than that in which he has his residence.

14 *Second*, This bounty shall not be paid for enlist- 15 ments from any town beyond the quota required 16 of such town to meet the call of February first, 17 eighteen hundred sixty-four, unless that town shall 18 have previously filled the quota assigned to it under 19 the call of October seventeenth, eighteen hundred

20 sixty-three, and all enlistments beyond these numbers
21 from any city, town or plantation shall be credited
22 thereto upon any future call for troops.

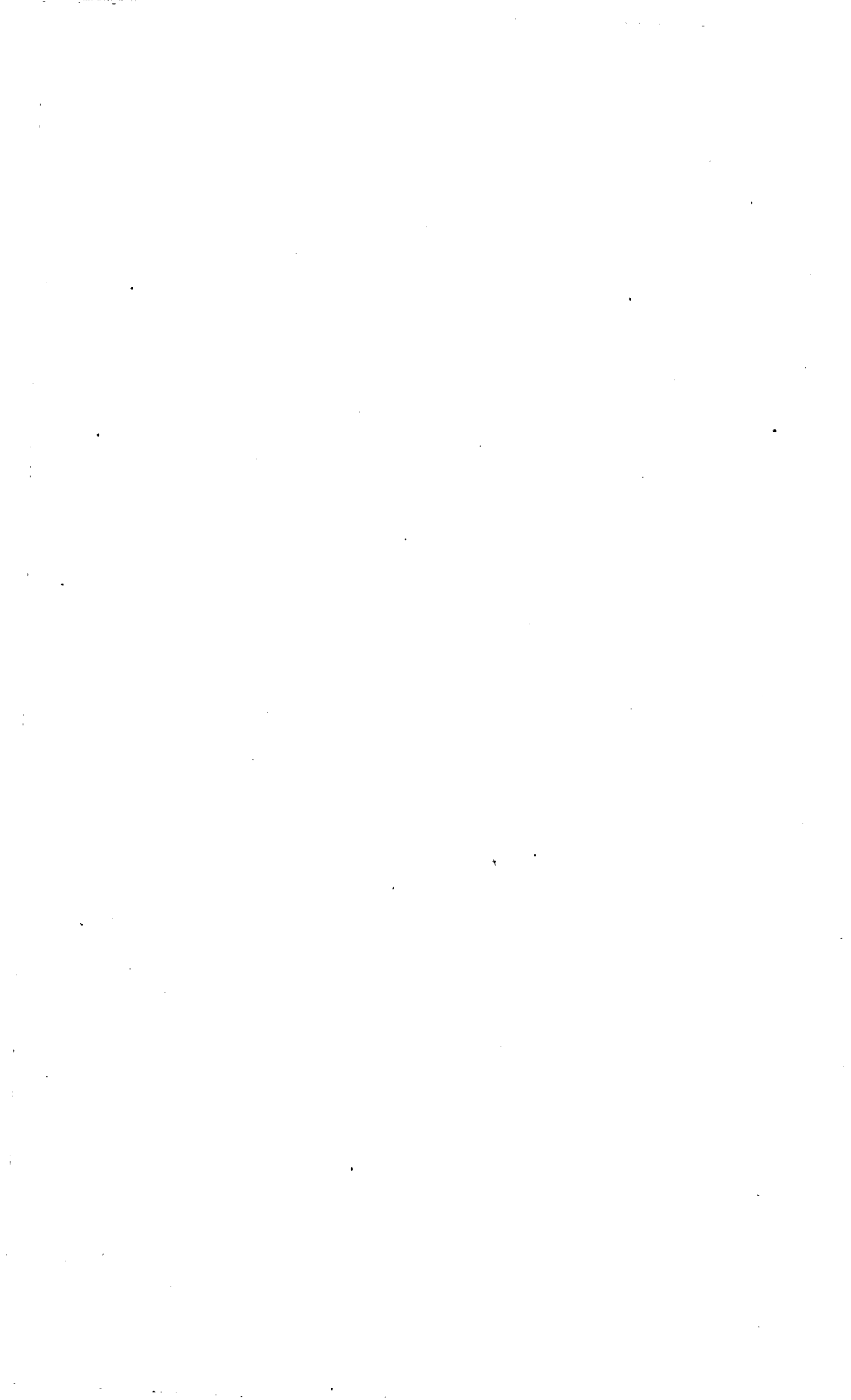
23 *Third*, This act shall not apply to enlistments for
24 coast and frontier defence, unless persons enlisting
25 in that branch of the service shall be ordered for
26 duty beyond the limits of the state, in which case
27 they shall be paid two hundred dollars, in addition
28 to the bounty now established by law.

B.

Amend by changing section three so that it will read section two; section four so that it will read section three; section five so that it will read section four; section six so that it will read section five; section seven to read section six; section eight to read section seven.

C.

Amend section three by inserting after the word "person" in first line, the words "enlisting under call of February first, eighteen hundred sixty-four."



STATE OF MAINE.

IN SENATE, February 15, 1864.

Amendments offered by Mr. SANBORN of Kennebec, and on motion of Mr. STEVENS, the bill and amendments laid on the table and 350 copies ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

EZRA C. BRETT, *Secretary.*