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

AN ACT relating to the volunteer militia.

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

SECTION 1. The governor and commander-in-chief 2 may accept the services of volunteer companies not 3 exceeding ten companies in all, for the term of three 4 years and without regard to existing military divisions. 5 Each company shall have a minimum of forty privates, 6 and may have one captain, one first lieutenant and 7 one second lieutenant, one first sergeant, four ser-8 geants and eight corporals and two musicians, and 9 each company shall constitute a school for military 10 instruction, and no person shall be a member of any of 11 the said companies unless he shall sustain a good char-12 acter for morals and intelligence.

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SECT. 2. Each member of said companies shall be 2 paid, per month, from the treasury from any moneys 3 not otherwise appropriated, as follows, viz: captain, 4 five dollars; first lieutenant, four dollars; second lieu-5 tenant, four dollars ; first sergeant, four dollars ; ser-6 geant, three dollars; corporals, two dollars and fifty 7 cents; and private or musician, two dollars; and 8 one dollar per month additional to the officer actually 9 commanding a company and reponsible for the prop-10 erty of the state appertaining to the company. And 11 when any company shall be called into actual service 12 of the state for a less term than five days, the officers 13 and men of said company so called into the service of 14 the state shall receive the same pay for each day's 15 service as is herein allowed to them respectively per 16 month; and when called into actual service of this 17 state for a longer consecutive time than five days, the 18 said companies so called into service and actually serv-19 ing shall receive the same pay and allowances that are 20 allowed to officers and soldiers of the same rank and 21 arm of the service by the United States. The inspec-22 tor general shall receive, in addition to his pay and 23 allowances, his actual necessary travelling expenses 24 when on duty. All compensations herein provided 25 shall be due and payable semi-annually in the months 26 of May and November.

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SECT. 3. It shall be the duty of the inspector gen-2 eral to cause each of said companies to be mustered 3 for inspection at least once in each month, and for in-4 spection and pay every two months, on such days as 5 said inspector may designate, and no officer or sol-6 dier not present at said musters and inspections of his 7 company shall be entitled to receive any pay for 8 the month for which said company shall be so mustered 9 and inspected; and no company shall be entitled to 10 receive any pay for the month for which the same shall 11 be mustered and inspected, unless the said company 12 shall be found by the inspector to be in a satisfactory 13 condition in respect to drill, discipline and military 14 efficiency. And it shall be the duty of the inspector 15 general to personally inspect each of said companies at 16 least once every six months.

SECT. 4. The officers of said companies shall be 2 commissioned for the term of one year. Before being 3 commissioned by the governor, each officer elect of 4 said companies shall, by order of the inspector gen-5 eral, as soon as practicable after the election of said 6 officers, appear for examination before the inspector 7 general or some officer or officers specially detailed 8 by him as a board of examination, and if he fail 9 to pass a satisfactory examination as to qualifica-

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10 tions and fitness, then his election shall be void, and 11 a new election shall be held to fill the vacancy.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, } February 27, 1867. Reported by Mr. PLAISTED, from the Committee on Military Affairs.

FRANKLIN M. DREW, Clerk.

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