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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SIXTY-NINE

AN ACT Authorizing the Governor to Designate a Municipal Official as Enrolling Officer for the Purpose of Enrolling the Militia.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 25, § 763, amended. The first 3 sentences of section 763 of Title 25 of the Revised Statutes are amended to read as follows:

All male citizens who are more than 18 and less than 45 years of age, excepting idiots, lunatics, paupers, vagabonds, habitual drunkards and persons convicted of infamous crimes, and who are resident in this State, shall, whenever the Governor may deem necessary, be enrolled by the assessors by a municipal official designated by the Governor as enrolling officer in the several municipalities in which they reside, in such manner and according to such regulations as the Governor shall prescribe. On such enrollment and opposite the name of each person who is exempt from duty under section 762, or who is serving in the active militia, or who is unable by reason of physical disability to perform militia duty, the assessors enrolling officer shall write "exempt" and state in each case the cause of exemption. The assessors enrolling officer shall subscribe said list and make oath that the same is true to the best of their his knowledge and belief; and shall file the same with the clerk of the municipality forthwith; and each clerk shall, within 10 days, make a certified statement of the total number enrolled, the number marked exempt, the number belonging to the active militia and the number marked disabled, and forward the same to the office of the Adjutant General.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 25, § 764, amended. The first sentence of section 764 of Title 25 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

Any person knowingly and willfully refusing information or giving false information to an assessor or other authorized person making the enrollment enrolling officer, respecting the name, age, residence, occupation, military or naval service, physical or mental condition or other proper subject of in quiry, of himself or any person within his knowledge liable to be enrolled, shall for each such concealment, refusal or giving of false information be guilty of a misdemeanor.

Sec. 3. R. S., T. 25, § 765, amended. Section 765 of Title 25 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

§ 765. Failure of enrolling officer and clerks to perform duty; Governor may appoint others

Any assessor enrolling officer neglecting or refusing faithfully to perform the duties of enrolling officer as required by law, or making any false entry upon said rolls or committing any other fraud therein, and any clerk neglecting to make and forward the statement required by section 763 shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. Upon the failure of the assessors enrolling officers to make the enrollment of the militia as required by law, the Governor may appoint some person to make it at the expense of the municipality, and the person so appointed shall have all the powers and be subject to the same duties as are prescribed in the case of assessors the enrolling officer.

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