FORTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE.

HOUSE.

No. 93.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

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 of mil-3 itia, not exceeding six companies in all, without regard 4 to existing military divisions, for the term of three 5 years. Each company shall have a minimum of forty 6 privates, and may have one captain, one first lieuten-7 ant and one second lieutenant, one first sergeant, four 8 sergeants and eight corporals and two musicians, and 9 each company shall constitute a school for military in-10 struction, 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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Each member of said companies shall be SECT. 2. 2 paid, per month, from the treasury from moneys not 3 otherwise appropriated, as follows, viz. : captain, two 4 dollars; first lieutenant, two dollars; second lieuten-5 ant, two dollars ; first sergeant, two dollars ; sergeants 6 two dollars each, corporals two dollars each, and pri-7 vates and musicians two dollars each, and one dollar 8 per month additional to the officers actually command-9 ing a company and responsible for the property of the 10 state appertaining to the company. And when any 11 company shall be called into actual service of the state 12 for a less time than five days, the officers and men of 13 said company so called into the service of the state 14 shall receive the same pay for each day's service as is 15 herein allowed to them respectively per month; and 16 when called into the service of the state for a longer 17 consecutive time than five days, the said companies so 18 called into service and actually serving shall receive 19 the same pay and allowances that are allowed to offi-20 cers and soldiers of the same rank and arm of the ser-21 vice by the United States. The inspector general shall 22 receive, in addition to his pay and allowances, his act-23 ual necessary travelling expenses when on duty. All 24 compensation herein provided shall be due and payable 25 semi-annually in the months of May and November.

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It shall be the duty of the inspector gen-SECT. 3. 2 eral to cause each of said companies to be mustered for 3 inspection at least once in each month, and for inspec-4 tion and pay once in every six months, on such days 5 as said inspector general may designate, and no officer 6 or soldier not present at said musters and inspections 7 of his 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 in each year.

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 said 4 companies shall, by order of the inspector general, as 5 soon as practicable after the election of said officer, ap-6 pear for examination before the inspector general or 7 some officer or officers specially detailed by him as a 8 board of examination, and if he fail to pass a satisfac-9 tory examination as to qualifications and fitness, then

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

SECT. 5. This act shall take effect when approved 2 by the governor.

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IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, February 15, 1868.

Reported from the Committee on Military Affairs, by Mr. PLAISTED of Bangor.

Applied BRACK Constraints

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