

FORTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE.

HOUSE.

No. 39.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT additional to "an act concerning the militia."

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

SECTION 1. There shall be organized, under the 2 direction of the governor of this state, one infantry 3 regiment of uniformed volunteer militia, of the organ-4 ization prescribed in section twenty-five of an act 5 entitled "an act concerning the militia," approved 6 February twenty-third, one thousand eight hundred 7 and sixty-five, the same to be under the government 8 of the present laws and regulations concerning the 9 militia.

SECT. 2. The companies of the said regiment shall 2 be selected from the volunteer companies making 3 application for organization under this act, and shall 4 have conformed to the requirements under existing

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5 military laws, and shall be selected from such locations 6 as in the judgment of the governor of this state are 7 most in need of military companies for safety and 8 order, and best calculated for the support and mainte-9 nance of military organizations.

The companies of said regiment shall be SECT. 3. 2 armed, uniformed and equipped at the expense of the 3 state, according to the existing regulations of the 4 United States army, under which clothing is issued to 5 the enlisted men of the United States army, with the 6 following modification: "The state shall supply a 7 coat, cap, overcoat and pantaloons to each soldier, 8 but each company shall have liberty to choose and 9 provide its own uniform, with the consent and ap-10 proval of the governor, and in such case the price of 11 the United States army uniform, not issued, shall be 12 commuted to the soldier in money, such commutation 13 to be paid by the paymaster general and receipted for 14 upon the company rolls." The above enumerated 15 articles of clothing or commutation in lieu thereof once 16 in three years.

SECT. 4. There shall be made by the adjutant 2 general, or some officer appointed by him, not less 3 than four annual inspections of said companies; such 4 inspections to be preceded by a review and such drill

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5 in the tactics as may be directed by the inspecting 6 officer.

SECT. 5. The existing regulations and provisions for 2 the government of the militia, with regard to drill, 3 payment, muster encampment, &c., shall be applicable 4 to the uniformed volunteer militia.

SECT. 6. This act shall take effect when approved.

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IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, February 11, 1869.

Reported from the Committee on Military Affairs by Mr. WHITE, and ordered to be printed under Joint Rule.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, Clerk.