

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Sixty-Ninth Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 194.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to establish a Naval Reserve as a part of the National
Guard of the State of Maine.

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

Section 1. There may be allowed, in addition to the National
2 Guard of the State of Maine as provided in section twenty-six,
3 chapter two hundred and sixty-six of the laws of 1893, a Naval
4 Reserve, to consist in time of peace of not more than one bat-
5 talion, and in time of war, insurrection, invasion, or imminent
6 danger thereof, of a brigade of not more than two battalions.

Sect. 2. The Naval Reserve shall be a part of the National
2 Guard of the State of Maine and shall be raised and organized in
3 the same manner as the land forces, but it shall not be attached

4 to any organization of land troops unless specially ordered by
5 the Commander-in-Chief.

Sect. 3. In time of peace the authorized battalion may con-
2 sist of not more than four divisions and an engineer division.

Sect. 4. To a battalion there shall be one lieutenant-comman-
2 der, who shall be chief of battalion, one lieutenant, who shall be
3 chief of staff, executive officer and equipment officer, one lieu-
4 tenant, junior grade, who shall be battalion adjutant, ordinance
5 and navigating officer, one paymaster and an assistant surgeon,
6 each with the relative rank of lieutenant, junior grade.

Sect. 5. To each line division there shall be one lieutenant,
2 who shall be chief of division, one lieutenant, junior grade, one
3 ensign, and not more than fifty-six petty officers and men. To
4 each engineer division there shall be one lieutenant, junior grade,
5 one ensign, and not more than twenty-five petty officers and
6 men. To each division and corps there shall be such petty offi-
7 cers as the Commander-in-Chief may prescribe.

Sect. 6. The system of administration and instruction of the
2 Naval Reserve shall conform, as nearly as possible, to that of the
3 Navy of the United States. Duty shall be performed afloat
4 when possible. When not otherwise provided for the govern-
5 ment of the Naval Reserve shall be according to the laws and
6 regulations now or hereafter governing the National Guard of
7 the State. The divisions of the Naval Reserve shall be consid-
8 ered the equivalent of companies of infantry.

Sect. 7. The pay of officers and petty officers mentioned in
2 the preceding sections shall be the same as that of officers and
3 non-commissioned officers of the same relative grade in the land

4 forces of the state. Seamen shall receive the same pay as
5 privates of infantry.

Sect. 8. The rank of officers given in the preceding sections
2 is naval rank, and has the same relation to rank in the land
3 forces of the state as rank in the navy of the United States has
4 to that in the army. The relative rank of petty officers in the
5 Naval Reserve and non-commissioned officers in the land forces of
6 the state will be as fixed by the Commander-in-Chief. Seamen
7 correspond to privates of infantry.

Sect. 9. This act shall take effect when approved.

STATE OF MAINE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

Augusta, February 24, 1899.

Reported by Mr. BROWN of Falmouth, from Committee on Military
Affairs, and ordered printed under joint rules.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk.*

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