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Seventy-first Legislature.

SENATE.

No. 128

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND THREE.

AN ACT to amend chapter two hundred and sixty-six of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, as amended by chapters one hundred and twenty-eight of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-nine and one hundred and sixty-seven of the Public Laws of nineteen hundred and one, relating to the Militia.

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

Section I. Section thirty of said act is hereby amended by 2 striking out the word "of" following the word "day" in the 3 thirteenth and twentieth lines, and substituting therefor the 4 word 'following', so that said section, as amended, shall read 5 as follows:

'Sect. 30. All enlistments in the national guard shall be for 7 three years, and shall be made by signing such enlistment

8 book as may be prescribed by the commander-in-chief. An o attested copy of the enlistment book, shall at the organization 10 of each company, be made by the clerk and forwarded, 11 together with duplicates of all enlistment papers, forthwith When a soldier re-enlists and is 12 to the adjutant-general. 13 mustered into the service within thirty days from the expira-14 tion of his previous term, his service shall be considered as 15 unbroken and continuous, and re-enlistments and musters 16 shall be dated as of the day following such expiration. 17 When the term of service of any enlisted man terminates dur-18 ing a period of furlough and while he is serving in the United 19 States army, should he re-enlist in the national guard within 20 thirty days of his muster out of the United States army, his 21 service shall be considered as continuous, and shall in like 22 manner commence on the day following such expiration, and 23 re-enlistments and musters shall be so dated. When new 24 enlistments or re-enlistments are made in any organization, 25 the commanding officer shall forward duplicate enlistment 26 papers to the adjutant-general.'

- Sect. 2. Section forty-one of said act is hereby amended 2 by striking out the word "discharged" in the seventh line, and 3 substituting therefor the words 'recommended for discharge,' 4 so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:
- 'Sect. 41. Each colonel of a regiment may enlist and muster 6 a band of musicians, not exceeding twenty-five, including one 7 master, one deputy master and one drum major, to be 8 attached to his regiment; provided that the members of such 9 band shall furnish their own uniforms and instruments. 10 They may be recommended for discharge by the colonel at his 11 pleasure.'
- Sect. 3. Section forty-six of said act is hereby amended 2 by striking out all the section following the word "time" in 3 the second line, and inserting the following: 'Enlisted men

4 may also be discharged by the commander-in-chief, upon 5 personal application in writing, approved by intermediate 6 commanding officers, or upon the recommendation of the 7 commanding officer of any company, battery, troop or corps, 8 approved by intermediate commanding officers,' so that said 9 section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sect. 46. The commander-in-chief may, in his discretion, II discharge enlisted men at any time. Enlisted men may also 12 be discharged by the commander-in-chief, upon personal 13 application in writing, approved by intermediate commanding 14 officers, or upon the recommendation of the commanding 15 officer of any company, battery, troop or corps, approved by 16 intermediate commanding officers.'

STATE OF MAINE.

IN SENATE, February 27, 1903.

Reported by Mr. MORRISON from Committee on Military Affairs, and laid on table to be printed under joint rules.

KENDALL M. DUNBAR, Secretary.