

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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NEW DRAFT.

SEVENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 100

House of Representatives, Jan. 30, 1913.

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W. R. ROIX, Clerk.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to amend The Military Law.

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

Section 1. Section 44 of Chapter 206 of the Public Laws
2 of 1909 is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

‘Sect. 44. The relative rank between officers of the na-
4 tional guard and naval reserve shall be the same as that now
5 or hereafter existing between officers of the army and navy
6 of the United States and the relative rank of petty officers
7 in the naval reserve and non-commissioned officers in the
8 national guard will be as prescribed by the governor; sea-
9 men shall correspond to privates of infantry.’

Sept. 2. Section 88 of Chapter 206 of the Public Laws of

2 1909 as amended by Chapter 7 of the Public Laws of 1911
3 is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

'Sect. 88. For the purpose of raising revenue to defray
5 the current expenses of the active militia there shall be ap-
6 propriated annually from any money in the treasury not
7 otherwise appropriated the sum of forty-five thousand dol-
8 lars of which sum at least five thousand dollars or so much
9 thereof as may be necessary shall be apportioned by the pay-
10 master general for the support of the naval reserve. The
11 revenue thus raised shall be paid into the state treasury and
12 be converted into a special and continuous military fund,
13 from which special fund only, except where herein otherwise
14 specified, shall be paid the expenses authorized by this act;
15 and so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby appro-
16 priated to carry out the provisions of this article, to be paid
17 upon vouchers approved as provided in section eighty-seven.'

Sect. 3. Section 90 of Chapter 206 of the Public Laws of
2 1909 is amended by striking out in the last line thereof the
3 words "military fund" and substituting therefor the follow-
4 ing: 'appropriation for armory rentals, and to carry out
5 the provisions of this section the sum of \$10,000 annually
6 is hereby appropriated from any money in the treasury not
7 otherwise appropriated, payments to be made by the treas-
8 urer of state upon vouchers manifested by the armory com-
9 mission to the state auditor,' so that said section when
10 amended shall read as follows:

'Sect. 90. It shall be the duty of municipal officers to pro-

12 vide and maintain for each company of the active militia lo-
13 cated within the limits of their respective towns a suitable
14 drill-room, offices, and armory, or place of deposit of all
15 military equipment, and for the headquarters of each sep-
16 arate battalion, corps, regiment, and brigade established with-
17 in said municipal limits suitable headquarters offices; and
18 the suitability for the necessary military purposes, of such
19 drill-rooms, armories and headquarters offices, shall be de-
20 termined by the armory commission. A reasonable com-
21 pensation to be fixed by the armory commission, after hear-
22 ing and consulting with the responsible municipal officers,
23 not to exceed three hundred dollars per annum for each
24 company, other organization, band or separate headquarters
25 shall be allowed as rent for such suitable building or build-
26 ings to the municipality providing and maintaining them,
27 and paid by the state out of the appropriation for armory
28 rentals, and to carry out the provisions of this section the
29 sum of \$10,000 annually is hereby appropriated from any
30 money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, payments
31 to be made by the treasurer of state upon vouchers mani-
32 fested by the armory commission to the state auditor.'

Sect. 4. Amend Section 97 of Chapter 206 of the Public
2 Laws of 1909 by adding thereto the following: 'and pro-
3 vided further that when any building is turned over to the
4 state for use as an armory or drill shed the armory commis-
5 sion shall be authorized to approve for payment from the
6 appropriation for armory rentals such sums as may be nec-

7 essary for the upkeep of such building including repairs, fur-
8 nishings, light, heat, water and janitor service,' so that said
9 section when amended shall read as follows:

'Sect. 97. The governor is authorized to accept in the name
11 of the state donations of lands and buildings to be used for
12 military purposes by the organized militia under such con-
13 ditions as the donors may nominate; lands and buildings so
14 donated shall be subject to the rules and regulations pre-
15 scribed by the governor; and provided further that when
16 any building is turned over to the state for use as an armory
17 or drill shed the armory commission shall be authorized to
18 approve for payment from the appropriation for armory
19 rentals such sums as may be necessary for the upkeep of
20 such building including repairs, furnishings, light, heat,
21 water and janitor service.'