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STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to Revise the Military Law of the State of Maine.

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

PREAMBLE. This chapter shall be known as "The Mili-

2 tary Law of the State of Maine."

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

Section I. COMPOSITION OF MILITIA. The militia

- 2 of the state of Maine shall consist of all able-bodied male
- 3 citizens of the state and all other able-bodied males who
- 4 have or shall have declared their intention to become citi-
- 5 zens of the United States, who shall be more than eighteen
- 6 years of age and, except as hereinafter provided, not more

7 than forty-five years of age, and said militia shall be divided 8 into three classes, the national guard, the naval militia, and 9 the unorganized militia.

Sect. 2. COMPOSITION OF NATIONAL GUARD.

2 The national guard shall consist of the regularly enlisted 3 militia between the ages of eighteen and forty-five years, 4 and the commissioned officers between the ages of twenty-5 one and sixty-four years, organized, armed and equipped 6 as provided by the national guard regulations, and recog-

The restrictions as to maximum age and citizenship shall 2 not apply to soldiers who have previously served honestly 3 and faithfully in the United States army, navy, marine 4 corps, the organized militia or the national guard.

7 nized by the war department as national guard.

Sect. 3. EXEMPTION FROM MILITARY DUTY.

2 The vice-president of the United States; the officers, judi3 cial and executive, of the government of the United States
4 and of the seevral states and territories; persons in the
5 military or naval service of the United States; custom-house
6 clerks; persons employed by the United States in the trans7 mission of the mail; artificers and workmen employed in
8 the armories, arsenals, and navy yards of the United States;
9 pilots; mariners actually employed in the sea service of any
10 citizen or merchant within the United States, shall be exempt
11 from militia duty without regard to age, and all persons
12 who because of religious belief shall claim exemption from
13 militia service, if the conscientious holding of such belief

14 by such person shall be established under such regulations 15 as the president shall prescribe, shall be exempted from 16 militia service in a combatant capacity; but no person so 17 exempted shall be exempt from militia service in any ca-18 pacity that the president shall declare to be non-combatant.

ENROLLMENT. All male citizens who are 2 more than eighteen and less than forty-five years of age, 3 excepting idiots, lunatics, paupers, vagabonds, habitual 4 drunkards, and persons convicted of infamous crimes, and 5 who are resident in this state, shall, whenever the governor 6 may deem necessary, be enrolled by the assessors in the 7 several cities, towns and plantations in which they reside, 8 in such manner and according to such regulations as the 9 governor shall prescribe. On such enrollment and oppo-10 site the name of each person who is exempt from duty II under section three or who is serving in the active militia, 12 or who is unable by reason of physical disability to per-13 form militia duty, the assessors shall write the word "ex-14 empt" and state in each case the cause of exemption. 15 assessors shall subscribe said list and make oath that the 16 same is true to the best of their knowledge and belief; and 17 shall file the same with the clerk of the city, town or plan-18 tation forthwith; and each clerk shall, within ten days, make 19 a certified statement of the total number enrolled, the num-20 ber marked exempt, the number belonging to the active 21 militia and the number marked disabled, and forward the 22 same to the office of the adjutant general. Any person 23 claiming exemption shall satisfy the enrolling officer or offi-24 cers of his right thereto and in case of doubt the burden of 25 proof shall be upon the person claiming exemption, and the 26 enrolling officer or officers may require him to submit to 27 examination on oath and may administer such oath.

Sect. 5. REFUSAL TO GIVE INFORMATION A 2 MISDEMEANOR. Any person knowingly and wilfully 3 refusing information or giving false information to an as-4 sessor or other authorized person making the enrollment, 5 respecting the name, age, residence, occupation, military 6 or naval service, physical or mental condition, or other 7 proper subject of inquiry, of himself or any person within 8 his knowledge liable to be enrolled, shall for each such 9 concealment, refusal, or giving of false information be 10 guilty of a misdemeanor. The officer making the enroll-11 ment shall, within ten days, report all persons violating this 12 section to the adjutant general.

Sect. 6. FAILURE OF ASSESSORS TO PERFORM 2 DUTY. Any assessor neglecting or refusing faithfully to 3 perform the duties of enrolling officer as required by law, 4 or making any false entry upon said rolls, or committing 5 any other fraud therein, and any clerk neglecting to make 6 and forward the statement required by section four, shall 7 be guilty of a misdemeanor. Upon the failure of the as-8 sessors to make the enrollment of the militia as required 9 by law, the governor may appoint some person to make it 10 at the expense of the city, town or plantation, and the per-

11 son so appointed shall have all the powers and be subject 12 to the same duties as are prescribed in the case of assessors.

Sect. 7. COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF. The governor is 2 the constitutional commander-in-chief of the militia, except 3 of such portions as may be at times in the service of the 4 United States.

Sect. 8. STAFF. The staff of the commander-in-chief 2 shall consist of the adjutant general, who shall be ex-officio 3 chief of staff, quartermaster general and paymaster general 4 with rank of brigadier general, the senior officer on duty 5 with each of the staff departments and such aides-de-camp 6 not to exceed five in number, one of whom may be a 7 naval aide with rank of lieutenant commander, as may be 8 appointed by the governor. Except as hereafter provided 9 all staff officers must be at the time of their appointment 10 commissioned officers of the Maine national guard, on the 11 active or retired list of or above the grade of captain, but 12 no staff officer shall be appointed from the retired list who 13 shall have had less than eight years of service in the na-14 tional guard, the last year of which shall be within ten 15 years immediately preceding the appointment. Aides-de-16 camp, except as hereinafter provided, may be detailed by 17 the commander-in-chief from the commissioned officers of 18 the national guard of the grades above specified, but offi-19 cers so detailed shall not be relieved thereby from their 20 regular duties except when on duty with the commander-21 in-chief. Honorably discharged officers or enlisted who

22 served in the United States army, navy or marine corps
23 during the world war, who are not members of the Maine
24 national guard, may be appointed by the governor as aides25 de-camp with a rank of colonel The aides-de-camp author26 ized by this chapter shall be appointed by the governor and,
27 except those detailed from the active list, shall be com28 missioned by him and shall serve only during the term of
29 the governor making the appointment; provided, that the
30 governor may detail additional aides from the officers of
31 the national guard for temporary duty, subject to the pro32 visions of this section. Provided nothing in this section
33 shall operate to terminate the appointment of any aide who
34 is a member of the staff at the time this act becomes
35 effective.

Sect. 9. PURPOSES AND PROCEDURE. In case of 2 insurrection, invasion, tumult, riot, mob, or body of men 3 acting together by force with intent to commit a felony or 4 to offer violence to persons or property, or by force and 5 violence to break and resist the laws of this state, or the 6 United States, or of imminent danger thereof, or in the 7 event of public disaster resulting from flood, conflagration, 8 or tempests, the governor shall have the power to order 9 into the active service of the state any part of the national 10 guard that he may deem proper. And whenever the na-11 tional guard of this state or a part thereof is called forth 12 under the constitution and laws of the United States, the 13 governor shall, unless the order for the call specifies other-

14 wise, order out for service the national guard or such part 15 thereof as may be required; and if the number available 16 be insufficient he shall order out the unorganized militia or 17 such part as may be necessary. The designation of organ-18 izations called into the service of the United States shall 19 not, during such service, be given to new organizations.

AID OF CIVIL AUTHORITIES. In case of a sudden 2 and unexpected tumult, riot, mob or body of men acting 3 together by force with intent to commit felony or to offer 4 violence to persons or property, or by force and violence 5 to break and resist the laws of the state or the United 6 States, or of imminent danger thereof, a justice of the 7 supreme judicial court, in term time or vacation, or the 8 sheriff of a county, may call for aid upon a commanding o officer of the national guard or naval militia, and such ca'l to shall be in writing. The commanding officer upon whom II the call is made shall order out in aid of the civil authori-12 ties the military or naval force or any part thereof under 13 his command, and shall make an immediate report of the 14 case to the adjutant general and to his immediate com-15 manding officer. He shall receive only general directions 16 from the civil authority requesting the aid, and shall re-17 main strictly responsible to his military superior for the 18 manner in which the troops shall be used to accomplish 19 the desired end.

In the event of an emergency so imminent as to require 2 immediate action the senior officer of a command may, upon

3 request in writing of the mayor of a city or the selectmen 4 of a town, order out for the defense or protection of the 5 community the forces under his command, or any part 6 thereof, and immediately report his action and the circum-7 stances of the case to the adjutant general and to his imme-8 diate commanding officer.

Sect. 10. UNORGANIZED MILITIA. Whenever it 2 shall be necessary to call into active service the unorganized 3 militia, or any part thereof, the governor shall direct his 4 order to the chief municipal officer of any city, town or 5 plantation, who, upon receipt of the same, shall proceed 6 to draft by lot as many of the unorganized militia or accept 7 as many volunteers as are required by the governor, and 8 shall forthwith forward to the adjutant general a list of 9 the persons so drafted or accepted as volunteers.

Sect. 11. PERSONS FAILING TO RESPOND,
2 DEEMED DESERTERS. Every member of the national
3 guard ordered out, and every member of the unorganized
4 militia who volunteers or who is drafted and notified there5 of, under the provisions of the preceding section, who does
6 not appear at the time and place designated by his com7 manding officer, or the chief municipal officer, within twen8 ty-four hours from such time, or who does not produce
9 from a physician in good standing a sworn certificate of
10 physical disability to so appear, shall be deemed a deserter
11 and dealt with as prescribed in the articles of war of the
12 United States.

Sect. 12. UNORGANIZED MILITIA TO BE MUS2 TERED INTO SERVICE. Whenever any portion of the
3 unorganized militia is called forth under the constitution
4 and laws of the United States, or of the state of Maine,
5 the members thereof shall be immediately mustered into
6 the service for such period as the call may prescribe; and
7 whenever any portion of such unorganized militia shall be
8 ordered into the service of the state they shall be mustered
9 into the service for such period as the governor may direct.
10 Such unorganized militia when so ordered into active serv11 ice shall have, as far as practicable, the same system of
12 organization, equipment, training and discipline as are or
13 may thereafter be prescribed for the national guard. The
14 governor shall have the power to appoint the officers for any
15 new organizations formed out of said unorganized militia.

Sect. 13. GOVERNOR MAY PROCLAIM STATE OF 2 INSURRECTION. Whenever any portion of the national 3 guard is employed in aid of the civil authority, the gov-4 ernor, if in his judgment the maintenance of law and order 5 will thereby be promoted, may by proclamation declare the 6 county, city, town or plantation in which the troops are 7 serving or any specified portion thereof, to be in a state of 8 insurrection.

Sect. 14. MEMBERS OF MILITIA NOT PERSON-2 ALLY LIABLE. DEFENSE. No member of the militia 3 ordered into the active service of the state shall be liable 4 civilly or criminally for any act done, or caused, ordered,

5 or directed to be done, by him in furtherance of and while 6 in the performance of his military duty. When an action 7 or proceeding of any nature shall be commenced in any 8 court by any person against any officer or enlisted man of 9 the militia for any act so done, or caused, ordered, or di-10 rected to be done, all the expenses of the defense of such II proceeding or action, civil or criminal, including fees of 12 witnesses for the defense, defendant's court costs, and all 13 costs for transcripts of records and abstract thereof on 14 appeal, shall be paid by the state, out of the military fund; 15 and it shall be the duty of the attorney general, either per-16 sonally or by one or more assistants, to defend such officer 17 or soldier; provided, that where the action or proceeding 18 is criminal the adjutant general shall designate a judge-19 advocate of the national guard to conduct the defense of 20 such member, or if the services of a judge-advocate be not 21 available, then he shall select some other competent attorney 22 to conduct such defense, and the judge-advocate or other 23 attorney so selected shall receive and be paid out of the 24 military fund a reasonable compensation for his profes-25 sional services. In any such action or proceeding the de-26 fendant may require the person instituting or prosecuting 27 the same to file security for paymnt of costs that may be 28 awarded the defendant, which costs if recovered in action. 29 the costs whereof have been paid out of the military fund, 30 shall be paid into the state treasury for the benefit of the 31 military fund; and the defendant may, in every such action

32 or proceeding, make a general denial and give the special 33 matter in evidence.

Sect. 15. ADJUTANT GENERAL, RANK, POWERS 2 AND DUTIES. The adjutant general of the state shall 3 have the rank of brigadier general, and shall be, ex-officio, 4 chief of staff, quartermaster general, and paymaster general 5 eral of the state. He shall be appointed by the governor 6 and shall hold the office for a term of two years unless 7 sooner removed for cause. For the purpose of establishing the relation between the war department and the varigous staff departments of the state, he shall be the chief of 10 said departments; and the requisitions, purchases, and issues to be made by the senior officer on duty in certain 12 of said departments, as hereinafter prescribed, shall be 13 made by them pursuant and in obedience to his directions 14 and instructions.

He shall control the military department subordinate only 2 to the governor, and may adopt such methods of adminis-3 tration, not inconsistent with the laws, regulations and 4 customs of the service of the regular army, so far as the 5 same may be applicable, as he may deem necessary to ren-6 der the department efficient.

He shall superintend the preparation of all returns, re-2 ports, plans and estimates required of the state by the war 3 department; and, on or before the thirtieth day of June 4 of each year, shall make a report to the governor of the 5 strength and condition of the militia and of the business 6 transactions of the department, including a detailed state-7 ment of expenditure for all military purposes.

He shall be responsible for the care, preservation, and 2 repair of all military property belonging or issued to the 3 state for the arming and equipping of the militia; and he 4 shall dispose of all military property of the state found 5 unserviceable after a proper inspection, account for the pro-6 ceeds, and deposit the same into the state treasury, to the 7 credit of the military fund.

He shall cause to be turned in, in such manner as the war 2 department may require, such ordnance, account ments and 3 equipments belonging to the United States and receive in 4 substitution therefor such prescribed regulation ordnance 5 and equipment, as may be necessary to conform to the 6 standard required by the laws and regulations of the United 7 States.

He shall, under the direction of the governor, prepare 2 requisitions for, and make purchases and issues of, such 3 military property as is necessary to equip the organizations 4 of the national guard according to the standard that is 5 now or may be hereafter prescribed by the laws and regu-6 lations of the United States, except such purchases and 7 issues as are hereinafter required to be made by the United 8 States property and disbursing officer or senior officers on 9 duty in the other staff departments; he shall approve the 10 bills of all purchases by whomsoever made and all issues; 11 but no such property shall be issued, or otherwise disposed

12 of, to persons or organizations other than those of the na-13 tional guard, and portions of the unorganized militia called 14 into active service.

He shall keep a just and true account of all expenses 2 necessarily incurred, including pay, transportation and sub-3 sistence of officers and enlisted men of the national guard 4 and of all military property; and shall render annually to 5 the governor a statement in detail showing the disposition 6 of all clothing, ordnance, arms, ammunition, and other mili-7 tary property on hand and issued.

He may sell for cash to officers of the national guard, for 2 their official use, and to organizations of the national guard, 3 any military or naval property which is the property of 4 the state; and he shall, with his annual report, render to 5 the governor a true account of the sales so made, and shall 6 deposit the proceeds of the same in the state treasury to 7 the credit of the military fund.

Whenever the adjutant general is absent from the state 2 or is unable from any cause to perform his duties, the senior 3 officer on duty in the adjutant general's department or an 4 officer of the national guard present for duty in the state 5 designated by the governor shall, during his absence or 6 disability, perform the duties of the adjutant general.

The adjutant general shall give a bond to the state, ap-2 proved by the governor and council, in the sum of ten 3 thousand dollars, conditioned on the faithful performance 4 of his duties as herein prescribed, and the costs and ex5 penses incurred by entering into such bond shall be paid 6 out of the military fund.

Sect. 16. APPORTIONMENT AND DUTIES. The 2 governor shall designate, subject to the approval of the 3 secretary of war, an officer of the national guard who shall 4 be regarded as property and disbursing officer for the 5 United States. The property and disbursing officer shall 6 give a bond to the United States, the amount thereof to be 7 determined by the secretary of war, for the faithful per-8 formance of his duties and for the safe keeping and proper 9 disposition of federal property and funds entrusted to his 10 care, and the costs and expenses incurred by entering into 11 such bond shall be paid out of the military fund.

Sect. 17. INSPECTOR GENERAL. The senior officer 2 on duty in the inspector general's department, whenever 3 ordered by the governor, shall make an inspection and a 4 detailed report upon the armories, property, books, records, 5 financial condition and general efficiency of the organizations of the national guard, and shall perform such other 7 duties as the adjutant general may direct or the law resequire, and he shall submit to the adjutant general a report 9 of the transactions of his office by the fifteenth of June 10 annually.

Sect. 18. ORDNANCE OFFICER. The senior officer 2 on duty in the ordnance department shall, from time to 3 time, submit to the adjutant general requisitions for ordnance property, equipment, and accountrements and range

5 and target material; which requisition, when approved by 6 the adjutant general and submitted to and signed by the 7 United States property and disbursing officer, shall, if they 8 be for material issued to the state by the ordnance depart-9 ment, be forwarded to that department for supply, and if 10 they be for material not so issued, then by direction of the 11 adjutant general and in the manner prescribed in section 12 twenty-six, the senior ordnance officer shall purchase and 13 direct the issue of such ordnance property and range ma-14 terial, certify all bills therefor as correct, and transmit them 15 to the adjutant general.

He shall, when required or whenever he deems it neces2 sary, report to the adjutant general upon the condition of
3 the ordnance, arms and accoutrements on hand or issued
4 to the national guard; he shall point out all deficiencies
5 and, so far as he is vested with authority, he shall be respon6 sible that all organizations are armed and equipped as pre7 scribed, or as may hereafter be prescribed, by the war
8 department.

He shall be the inspector of and shall exercise general 2 supervision over the small-arms practice of the national 3 guard. Whenever ordered by the governor it shall be his 4 duty to make an inspection of all target ranges and shoot-5 ing galleries used by the national guard, to submit a report 6 to the adjutant general of the condition and necessities of 7 each; and to make a detailed report of the transactions of 8 his office to the adjutant general on the fifteenth day of 9 June annually.

Sect. 19. CHIEF SURGEON. The senior officer on 2 duty in the medical department shall perform such duties 3 as are prescribed by law and the national guard regulations, 4 and he shall make to the adjutant general a detailed report 5 of the transactions of his office and the condition and quan-6 tity of medical supplies on hand, on the fifteenth day of 7 June annually.

Sect. 20. SENIOR OFFICER QUARTERMASTER 2 CORPS. The senior officer of the quartermaster corps 3 may, when deemed advisable by the adjutant general, be 4 the military store-keeper and, under the direction of the 5 adjutant general, he shall purchase and issue in the manner 6 prescribed in section twenty-six such subsistence stores and 7 property as are not issued by the United States, certify all 8 bills therefor as correct and transmit them to the adjutant 9 general. He shall make a detailed report of the transaction tions of his office to the adjutant general on the fifteenth 11 day of June annually.

Sect. 21. JUDGE ADVOCATE. The judge advocate 2 shall be an attorney-at-law of the supreme judicial court 3 of this state, of at least five years' standing. He shall be, 4 under the direction of the governor, charged with the super-5 vision of all things relating to the administration of justice 6 in the military forces of the state; he shall diligently scru-7 tinize and examine the proceedings of all courts-martial and 8 courts of inquiry which are submitted to him for review 9 and report thereon to the adjutant general; he shall when

10 directed act as judge advocate or recorder of any military 11 court or board; he shall be the legal adviser of the military 12 department, and to him may be referred for supervision 13 all contracts, agreements, or other instruments, to be drawn 14 or executed in the course of the business thereof. He shall 15 make a detailed report of the transactions of his office to 16 the adjutant general on the fifteenth day of June annually.

Sect. 22. ATTORNEY GENERAL OF STATE LE-2 GAL ADVISER. The attorney general of the state shall 3 be legal adviser of the adjutant general, and of the armory 4 commission.

Sect. 23. APPOINTMENT OF STAFF OFFICERS. 2 In time of war, insurrection, invasion or rebellion, or of 3 imminent danger thereof, the governor may appoint such 4 staff officers and create such chiefs of staff departments 5 as may be necessary to provide for an increased national 6 guard or to fill the vacancies caused by absence in active 7 service, or for both purposes; provided, that appointments 8 in a staff department or corps shall be made from officers 9 of the existing staff departments or corps as promotions 10 so far as such officers are available; provided also, that II promotion in each staff department or corps and appoint-12 ments to fill vacancies thus created shall be made as here-13 inafter prescribed. Provided further, that in time of peace, 14 whenever the formations of the national guard shall re-15 quire it, the governor may organize such additional depart-16 ments as are thereby made necessary, and whenever such

17 new departments are organized the senior officer on duty 18 with the new staff department shall be ex-officio a member 19 of the governor's staff.

Sect. 24. DUTIES OF STAFF OFFICERS. Officers 2 of all staff departments and corps shall perform the duties 3 required of them by law, and such others, not inconsistent 4 with the laws of the state, as correspond to those which 5 are now or may hereafter be required, of the correspond-6 ing staff departments or corps of the regular army by the 7 customs of the service, the orders of the war department, 8 and the laws and regulations of the United States.

Sect. 25. QUALIFICATIONS OF STAFF OFFICERS. 2 Staff officers of the national guard, except in the lowest 3 grade of the medical department, shall, when appointed, have 4 had previous military experience and shall hold their posi-5 tions until they reach the age of sixty-four years, unless 6 retired prior to that time by reason of resignation, disa-7 bility or for cause to be determined by a court-martial legally 8 convened for that purpose, or by an efficiency board of 9 three commissioned officers, senior in rank to the officer 10 whose fitness for service shall be under investigation, and II all vacancies among said officers shall be filled by appoint-12 ment from the officers of the national guard, or honorably 13 discharged officers or enlisted men who served in the United 14 States army, navy or marine corps during the world war. Sect. 26. PROCEDURE BY PURCHASING OFFI-2 CER. Purchase of military property not exceeding one

3 hundred dollars in value may be made in such manner as 4 the purchasing officer may deem best. For other purchases 5 not exceeding five hundred dollars, the purchasing officer 6 shall procure written proposals from at least two parties. 7 For purchases exceeding five hundred dollars in value the 8 purchasing officer shall publicly advertise, for not less than 9 ten days, for sealed proposals, to be opened at the place, 10 day and hour designated in such advertisement. All bids II must be accompanied with a certified check for ten per 12 centum of the amount of the bid; and he may require the 13 person contracting to give bond in such sum and surety 14 as he may direct, conditioned for faithful performance, in 15 default of which, such bond shall be prosecuted by the at-16 torney general, and all moneys recovered turned into the 17 state treasury for the benefit of the military fund; provided, 18 that in case of emergency occasioned by war, invasion, riot, 19 insurrection, resistance to the law, or imminent danger there-20 of, or by flood, conflagration, or tempest, the governor may 21 direct that such property as may be urgently required be 22 purchased in open market; provided, also, that the right is 23 reserved to reject any or all bids.

Sect. 27. OFFICER NOT TO BE PERSONALLY IN-2 TERESTED. No officer herein authorized to make pur-3 chases or sales of military property shall be concerned, di-4 rectly or indirectly, in the purchase or sale of any such 5 property, except for and on account of the state; nor shall 6 any such officer take or apply to his own use any gain or 7 emolument for negotiating or transacting any business of 8 his office, other than what is allowed by law.

Sect. 28. PROPERTY PURCHASED TO BE IN2 SPECTED. All property purchased under the authority
3 herein granted shall be inspected by an officer designated
4 for that purpose by the adjutant general, and no payment
5 shall be made therefor until it shall appear by the certifi6 cate of the inspecting officer that the property is of the
7 kind and quality specified in the contract of purchase.

Sect. 29. PENALTY FOR CONTRACTING INDEBT2 EDNESS ON BEHALF OF STATE WITHOUT AU3 THORIZATION. No officer or enlisted man shall con4 tract, or presume to authorize the contracting of, any in5 debtedness on behalf of the state, unless especially author6 ized to do so by this chapter or by the express order of
7 the adjutant general; and any person in the military serv8 ice who shall violate the provisions of this section shall be
9 dishonorably discharged and suffer such other punishment
10 as a court-martial may direct.

Sect. 30. ORGANIZATION AND REGULATIONS 2 OF NATIONAL GUARD. The organization of the na-3 tional guard of Maine including enlistments, appointments, 4 promotions, transfers, discharges, equipment, uniforms, re-5 ductions and warrants of non-commissioned officers, in-6 struction and training, armament, discipline, and elimina-7 tion and disposition of officers, shall be the same as that 8 which is now or may hereafter be prescribed or provided

9 by the laws and regulations of the United States for the 10 national guard; and the commander-in-chief is hereby au-11 thorized, and it shall be his duty, to issue and prescribe 12 from time to time such orders and regulations, and to adopt 13 such other means of administration as shall maintain the 14 prescribed standard of organization, armament and disci-15 pline; and it shall be the further duty of the commander-16 in-chief to prescribe such regulations and to adopt such 17 methods of administration for the care, preservation, dis-18 position of and accountability for all military property is-19 sued to the national guard and belonging to the United 20 States; for procuring, disbursing, and accounting for all 21 military funds allotted to the state; for arming, equipping 22 and supplying the national guard; and for arranging for 23 such camps of instruction, field service, and rifle practice 24 as shall meet the requirements that are now or may here-25 after be prescribed by the laws and regulations of the 26 United States. And such orders, regulations, and means 27 adopted shall have the full force and effect of law.

Sect. 31. NEW ORGANIZATIONS. When authorized 2 by the war department, new organizations may be raised 3 on petition to the governor, or by his order; and when the 4 minimum number of persons required by law has been en-5 listed and notice thereof given to the governor, he shall 6 order an inspection to be made by an officer of the national 7 guard, and if it is found that the conditions contemplated 8 by law for federal recognition can be met by the new organ-

9 ization, the governor shall appoint commissioned officers to therefor and request an inspection to be made by an officer 11 of the regular army with a view to federal recognition.

Sect. 32. CIVILIAN COOKS. The commander-in-chief 2 may authorize the employment of cooks to the number fixed 3 in this chapter in organizations in which there are vacancies 4 in enlisted cooks when such organizations are on duty un-5 der his orders or are called upon in aid of the civil authori-6 ties. The commander-in-chief may authorize the employ-7 ment and prescribe the number of cooks for all headquar-8 ters and organizations for which the enlistment of cooks 9 is not authorized by this chapter. Cooks during such employment shall be subject to the laws and regulations for 11 the government of the national guard and shall receive the 12 same pay as enlisted cooks.

Sect. 33. NAVAL MILITIA. Such persons as may be 2 enlisted or as may be appointed or commissioned therein, 3 shall constitute the naval militia of the state of Maine.

Sect. 34. ORGANIZATION BY COMMANDER-IN-2 CHIEF; DRILL, DISCIPLINE, ETC. The commander-3 in-chief may organize the forces prescribed in the preced-4 ing section as he may deem proper; and when in his judg-5 ment the efficiency of the naval militia will be increased 6 thereby, or whenever public interest may demand it, he may 7 alter, reorganize, or disband any or all of the organizations 8 therein; and he shall have power at any time to change 9 the organization of the naval militia so as to conform to

10 any organization, system of drill or instruction which may 11 be adopted for the navy of the United States, and to in-12 crease and decrease for that purpose the number of officers, 13 warrant officers, chief petty officers, petty officers and en-14 listed men and to change their grades, titles, and designa-15 tions.

The system of administration, drill and instruction of the 2 naval militia shall conform, as nearly as practicable, to that 3 of the navy of the United States; and the discipline and 4 government thereof when not otherwise prescribed shall be 5 according to the laws and regulations now or hereafter 6 governing the national guard. No part of the naval militia 7 shall be attached to any organization of the national guard 8 except when especially ordered by the governor, in which 9 case the senior officer present shall command the whole, 10 unless the commander-in-chief shall direct otherwise.

Sect. 35. COMPENSATION. The pay of officers and 2 petty officers of the naval militia shall be the same as that 3 of officers and non-commissioned officers of the same relative rank in the national guard; and seamen shall receive 5 the pay of privates of infantry. The commanding officer 6 of a battalion shall be allowed a sum not exceeding fifty 7 dollars per annum for the care and responsibility of state 8 and United States property for which he may be account-9 able; each division commander shall be allowed a sum not 10 exceeding fifty dollars per annum for the care and responsibility of public property for which he is accountable; the

12 executive officer of a battalion, each division clerk and the 13 third class yeoman of each division shall receive for their 14 services a sum not exceeding twenty-five dollars per annum.

Sect. 36. AUTHORITY OF OFFICERS. Commissioned officers of the naval militia shall have the same authority, rights, privileges and qualifications, grade for grade, as commissioned officers in the national guard, and, if not otherwise prescribed, shall be appointed in the same manner; but the board of examination, in the case of the appointment of an officer of the naval militia, shall consist of at least one commissioned officer of the naval militia, active or retired.

Sect. 37. APPOINTMENTS OF COMMISSIONED 2 OFFICERS, VACANCIES, ETC. Subject to the regu3 lations prescribed by the war department all officers shall 4 be appointed and commissioned by the governor. Except 5 as hereinafter provided all vacancies shall be filled as fol6 lows: Vacancies in the grade of colonel or lieutenant7 colonel of a regiment or corps shall be filled by promoting 8 the senior officer of the regiment or corps of the next lower 9 grade; vacancies in the grade of major in a regiment, corps 10 or separate battalion shall be filled by promoting the senior 11 officer of the next lower grade in the organization in which 12 the vacancy occurs; vacancies in the grade of captain or 13 lieutenant shall be filled by promoting the senior officer of 14 the next lower grade in the organization in which the va15 cancy occurs; when it appears to the governor to be for

16 the best interest of the service that vacancies be otherwise 17 filled, such vacancies, if they be within a regiment, corps 18 or other separte organization, shall be filled by the gov-19 ernor upon the recommendation of the commanding officer 20 of such organization, or upon the recommendation of the 21 adjutant general. Vacancies in the grade of second lieu-22 tenant shall be filled in the following manner: All enlisted 23 men of any company and any non-commissioned staff offi-24 cer shall, if physically sound, be eligible for appointment 25 and shall be permitted to appear before an examining board 26 for a physical and competitive practical and theoretical ex-27 amination. The enlisted man whom the board considers, 28 after the competitive examination, to be best qualified shall 29 be appointed to fill the vacancy. The governor shall pre-30 scribe the scope and manner of conducting such examina-31 tion, and if no enlisted man appears or if none satisfac-32 torily passes said examination, then the governor upon the 33 recommendation of the commanding officer of the regiment, 34 corps or other separate battalion shall fill the vacancy by 35 making an appointment of any person eligible under the 36 law to hold a commission in the national guard. Every 37 officer duly commissioned shall within ten days accept the 38 same and take the constitutional oath of office; such oath 39 may be taken and subscribed before any officer authorized 40 by law to administer an oath; and in case of neglect or 41 refusal to accept the commission or to take and subscribe 42 the oath within the time mentioned, such commission shall 43 be cancelled by the governor and a new appointment made 44 to fill the vacancy.

Sect. 38. RETIREMENT OF OFFICERS. Any officer 2 who shall reach the age of sixty-four years shall be retired. 3 Any officer who accepts an appointment in the army, navy 4 or marine corps of the United States, or who tenders his 5 resignation and the same having been accepted, shall re-6 ceive an honorable discharge, provided he shall not be under 7 arrest or returned to a military court for any deficiency 8 or delinquency and provided he be not indebted to the state 9 in any manner and that all his accounts for money and 10 public property be correct. Any officer who is found in-II capacitated for service by reason of physical disability shall 12 be withdrawn from active service and placed on the retired 13 list, with the highest rank held by him during service, pro-14 vided, that if at the time of his retirement he shall have 15 served as a commissioned officer in the national guard for 16 a continuous period of fifteen years, he may be retired with 17 one grade higher rank than that held at the time of his 18 retirement.

Retired officers shall be entitled to wear the uniform of 2 the rank with which they were retired. Except as provided 3 above no commissioned officer in the national guard or 4 naval militia shall be removed from office without his consent, except by sentence of a general court-martial or by 6 an efficiency board, in a manner prescribed by law.

Sect. 39. CERTIFICATE OF MERIT. Hereafter when

2 any enlisted man of the national guard shall have distin3 guished himself in the service for gallantry or for long and
4 meritorious service in the national guard or naval militia
5 for a continuous period of fifteen years or for a period of
6 twenty years not necessarily continuous, the governor may,
7 upon the recommendation of the commanding officer of the
8 regiment or of the senior officer of the organization to which
9 such enlisted man belongs, grant him a certificate of merit;
10 and a holder of such certificate shall be borne on the mili11 tary register of the state for the remainder of his life;
12 provided that meritorious service hereafter in time of actual
13 war, insurrection or rebellion, shall count double toward
14 procuring such certificate.

Sect. 40. UNITED STATES ARMY REGULATIONS
2 TO GOVERN. Matters of military courtesy and disci3 pline; precedence of regiments and corps; details and work4 ing parties; special duty; official designation and duties of
5 officers; records; flags, colors and standards; instruction
6 and administration of regiments, battalions and companies;
7 interior economy of companies; rosters, detachments and
8 daily service; honors, courtesies and ceremonies; guards;
9 practical and theoretical instruction; care, accountability
10 and responsibility for public property; surveys of property;
11 staff administration and general duties of the staff corps;
12 military correspondence; orders; muster rolls; return of
13 troops and battle reports; arrest and confinement; and field
14 service, shall, in general and so far as practicable and con-

15 sistent with this chapter, be as now or hereafter prescribed 16 in the regulations for the armies of the United States.

Sect. 41. SPECIAL INSPECTION. The commander2 in-chief may in his discretion at such times and under such
3 regulations as he may prescribe order each colonel com4 manding a regiment or corps, or, in case of his disability
5 or when designated by him, the lieutenant colonel, and each
6 officer commanding a battalion, to parade, inspect and re7 port upon the general military efficiency of the several com8 panies under his command at least one each year; and
9 the commander-in-chief may, whenever he deems it neces10 sary, order an inspection by a medical officer of the officers
11 and men, armories, clothes and equipment of the national
12 guard or naval militia.

Sect. 42. CERTAIN PLACES MAY BE CLOSED 2 WHEN NATIONAL GUARD ON DUTY. Whenever 3 any part of the national guard is on active duty, pursuant 4 to the order of the governor or call of civil authority, to 5 aid in the enforcement of the laws, the commanding officer of such troops may order the closing of any place 7 where intoxicating liquors, arms, ammunition, dynamite or 8 other explosives are sold, and forbid the selling, bartering, 9 lending, or giving away any of said articles so long as 10 any of the troops remain on duty in such places or in the 11 vicinity thereof, whether any civil officer has forbidden the 12 same or not.

Sect. 43. NOTICES FOR DUTY. Notices for duty

2 at encampments, maneuvers and field instruction shall be 3 given at least ten days prior thereto, and for other duty 4 at such time as the officer issuing the order shall prescribe. 5 Such notices shall be given orally or by written or printed 6 notice in hand, sent by mail or left at the last and usual 7 place of abode, provided that the posting of the copy of 8 an order in a conspicuous place in the drill or business 9 room of the company, at a regular meeting held not less 10 than four days before the time fixed in such order for the 11 performance of any duty, shall be sufficient notice to all 12 members of the company present at such meeting; and 13 provided that when the days upon which the stated drills 14 provided by law, orders or regulations are to be held have 15 been fixed, no further notice thereof shall be required to 16 the members of the company.

Sect. 44. PRIZES FOR GENERAL MILITARY EF2 FICIENCY and MARKSMANSHIP. To encourage gen3 eral military efficiency among organizations in the national
4 guard the adjutant general is authorized to offer annually
5 a suitable reward. He may also provide suitable rewards
6 for proficiency in small arms practice and practice with
7 light and heavy guns. All such rewards shall be competed
8 for under such regulations as may be approved by the
9 adjutant general. Members of any staff, corps or detach10 ments assigned or attached for duty with any command
11 shall be considered a part of such command for the pur12 pose of the competitions herein authorized.

Sect. 45. MEDAL FOR HONORABLE SERVICE.

- 2 Every officer and enlisted man who has rendered honorable
- 3 service for nine years in the national guard of the state
- 4 shall receive a service medal therefor and an additional
- 5 bar or clasp for each additional three years' service.

Sect. 46. MEDAL FOR PERFECT ATTENDANCE.

- 2 Every officer or enlisted man in the national guard who
- 3 has a perfect record of attendance at every military duty
- 4 for one year, shall receive a suitable medal therefor, and
- 5 a bar or clasp for each additional year of perfect attend-
- 6 ance, either continuous or otherwise.

Sect. 47. PAY AND ALLOWANCE. Each officer and 2 enlisted man ordered by the commander-in-chief or under

3 his authority for duty at encampments, maneuvers, field

4 exercises, small arms competitions, or other special duties

5 or when called forth in aid of the civil authorities, shall

6 receive for every day actually on duty, the same pay as

7 officers and enlisted men of the same grade and classifi-

8 cation in the regular army, provided, that warrant officers

9 shall be paid five dollars a day and enlisted men of grade

10 I as now or hereafter established for the regular army shall

II be paid not less than two dollars and fifty cents per day;

12 grade II, two dollars and twenty-five cents; grade III, two

13 dollars; grade IV, one dollar and ninety cents; grade V,

14 one dollar and seventy-five cents; grade VI, one dollar and

15 sixty cents; grade VII, one dollar and fifty cents, and pro-

16 vided further that all band musicians shall be paid not less

17 than four dollars per day and all specialists shall be paid
18 the same additional compensation as is allowed the cor19 responding classes of specialists in the regular army; there
20 shall be allowed the necessary transportation and subsist21 ence, but no pay or compensation shall be allowed except
22 as otherwise provided by law when ordered for inspection,
23 muster, small arms practice, drill, parade, review, field serv24 ice or practice marches unless expressly authorized in the
25 order for such duties.

When the national guard, or any portion thereof, shall 2 be called forth in aid of the civil authorities, or assembled 3 in obedience to such calls, as provided for in section nine, 4 all officers and men thereof shall receive the pay set 5 forth in this section; and such compensation and the 6 necessary expenses incurred in quartering, caring for, 7 transporting and subsisting the troops as well as the 8 expense incurred for pay, care and subsistence of officers 9 and enlisted men temporarily disabled in the line of duty, 10 while on such duty, shall be paid by the county where such II service is rendered. The treasurer of such county shall, 12 upon presentation to him of vouchers and pay rolls of 13 such expenses and compensation, certified by the command-14 ing officer of the organization or corps on duty in aid of 15 the civil authority, in such county or counties, and ap-16 proved by the adjutant general, forthwith execute in be-17 half of and in the name of such county a certificate or 18 certificates of indebtedness for the money required to pay

19 such vouchers and pay rolls; such certificates shall bear 20 interest at the rate of not to exceed six per centum per 21 annum, and shall be made payable on the first day of Jan-22 uary following the expiration of two months from their 23 issue, and the amount thereof shall be raised in the next 24 tax budget of said county succeeding their issue, and ap-25 plied to the payment of such certificates. Said county 26 treasurer shall sell such certificates at public or private 27 sale, and apply the proceeds thereof to the payment of such 28 expenses and compensation. Any county treasurer or pub-29 lic officer, who shall neglect or refuse to perform any of 30 the duties required by this section, shall be personally 31 charged with the costs and all necessary disbursements of 32 any action or proceeding brought to compel such perform-33 ance, together with a reasonable additional allowance to 34 the plaintiff or relator in such action or proceeding to be 35 fixed.

Sect. 48. SPECIAL ALLOWANCES. In addition to all 2 other pay and allowances herein provided there shall be al-3 lowed each company commander or other officer who in the 4 opinion of the adjutant general is entitled to remuneration 5 for care and responsibility of military property and satisfactory performance of military duties, not exceeding fifty dol-7 lars per annum; each company clerk, and each company 8 supply sergeant, not exceeding twenty-five dollars per annum, when certified by the company commander.

To all officers ordered to make inspection or other journeys

- 2 necessary in the military service, there shall be allowed all
- 3 actual and necessary expenses incident to the performance
- 4 of said service, including such incidental expenditures as are
- 5 allowed by law and regulations to officers of the regular
- 6 army when inspecting the organized militia.

Whenever deemed necessary, the adjutant general may

- 2 authorize the commutation of rations for enlisted men,
- 3 which shall be at the rate fixed by the regulations of the
- 4 United States army in force at the time.

The adjutant general whenever necessary, and in such

- 2 manner as he may deem best, shall provide suitable mounts
- 3 for all officers and enlisted men required to perform mount-
- 4 ed duty. He shall also approve all other just and reasonable
- 5 claims, payments and expenditures, legally made in behalf
- 6 of the military service of the state.

Sect. 49. APPROVAL AND PAYMENT OF MILI-

- 2 TARY ACCOUNTS. All military accounts, unless other-
- 3 wise specially provided by law, shall be approved by the
- 4 person authorized to contract the same and transmitted to
- 5 the adjutant general for his examination and approval.
- 6 They shall then be presented to the state auditor, and if
- 7 found correct shall be certified to the governor and council
- 8 for payment, and a warrant shall be drawn for the amount
- 9 thereof on the state treasurer in favor of the person to
- 10 whom the account is due, and the same shall be delivered
- 11 to the paymaster general for delivery by him; provided,
- 12 that no payment whatever shall be made or allowed

13 except for duty actually performed or services actually 14 rendered; and provided, that no payment of any sum 15 authorized by this chapter shall be made to any person until 16 there shall have been first deducted therefrom all amounts 17 due by him to the state on any military account whatsoever; 18 and provided further that whenever the governor shall deem 19 it necessary he may draw his warrant on the state treasurer 20 in favor of the paymaster general for such sums from the 21 military fund or the appropriation for the support of the 22 naval militia as may be required to meet immediate pay-23 ments for current expenditures, such funds to be accounted 24 for separately on a monthly account current to be filed with 25 the state auditor and any unused balance to be carried into 26 the state treasury whenever directed by the governor.

Sect. 50. THE MILITARY FUND. For the current 2 expenses of the national guard and naval militia there shall 3 be appropriated biennially such sums as may be necessary 4 for the proper administration of the military law. The 5 appropriation thus provided shall constitute a continuous 6 military fund, from which special fund only, except where 7 herein otherwise specified, shall be paid the expenses au-8 thorized by this act; and so much thereof as may be neces-9 sary is hereby appropriated to carry out the provisions of 10 this section, to be paid upon vouchers approved as provided 11 in section forty-nine.

Sect. 51. CLAIMS FOR DISABILITY. Any member 2 of the national guard or naval militia who shall, when on

3 duty or assembled therefor, in case of riot, tumult, breach 4 of the peace, insurrection or invasion, or whenever called 5 into active service of the state by order of the governor, or 6 called in aid of the civil authorities, or when participating by 7 order of the governor in any encampment, maneuvers or 8 field instruction of any part of the regular army at or near 9 any military post or camp or lake or sea coast defenses of 10 the United States, or when participating by order of the II governor in practice marches or camps of instruction, or 12 when assembled for any regular or special drill or other 13 duty under the command of a superior officer, receive any 14 injury, or incur or contract any disability or disease by rea-15 son of such duty or assembly, or who shall without wilful 16 negligence on his part receive any wound, injury or disease 17 incident thereto while performing any lawfully ordered duty 18 which shall incapacitate him from his usual business or 19 occupation, shall receive compensation according to the pro-20 visions of chapter two hundred and thirty-eight of the pub-21 lic laws for 1919, and any amendments thereto, as an em-22 ployee of the state of Maine, and the average weekly wage 23 in such cases shall be taken to be the earning capacity of 24 the injured in the occupation in which he is regularly en-25 gaged, and in case of death his dependents, if any, shall 26 be entitled to compensation as provided in said act.

Sect. 52. ARMORIES, STABLES AND TARGET 2 RANGES. It shall be the duty of the municipal officers to 3 provide and maintain for each platoon or company of the

4 national guard or naval militia located within the limits of 5 their respective towns suitable drill rooms, offices, armory, 6 stables, or place of deposit of all military property, and for 7 the headquarters of each separate battalion, corps, regiment 8 or brigade established within such municipal limits suitable 9 headquarters offices; and the suitability for the necessary 10 military purposes of such drill rooms, armories, headquarters II offices or stables shall be determined by the armory com-12 mission. A reasonable compensation shall be fixed by the 13 armory commission, after hearing and consulting with the 14 responsible municipal officers, for each company, other or-15 ganization, band or separate headquarters or stables, and 16 shall be allowed as rent for such building or buildings to the 17 municipality providing and maintaining them, and paid by 18 the state out of the appropriation for armory rental. To 19 carry out the provisions of this section there shall be appro-20 priated biennially such sums as are deemed necessary, said 21 sums to be known as the armory fund, payment to be made 22 therefrom, payment to be made by the treasurer of the state 23 upon vouchers manifested by the armory commission to the 24 state auditor. All armories, drill rooms, offices, headquar-25 ters offices or stables shall be subject always to the provisions 26 of law and to the regulations prescribed by the proper au-27 thorities, and said armories, drill rooms, offices, headquar-28 ters offices or stables shall be held for the exclusive use 29 of the national guard unless otherwise authorized by the 30 general regulations for the government of armories pre31 scribed by the armory commission, or by special authority 32 of the chairman of said commission after application in 33 special cases by the municipal authorities in writing. Should 34 any municipal officer use such buildings or stables without 35 authority, or abuse the authority or privilege so granted, 36 they and each of them shall, in each case, be guilty of a 37 misdemeanor and shall be punished as prescribed in this 38 section. The governor is authorized to accept in the name 30 of the state donations of lands and buildings to be used 40 for military purposes by the national guard or naval militia 41 under such conditions as the donors may nominate; lands 42 and buildings so donated shall be subject to the rules and 43 regulations prescribed by the governor; and provided fur-44 ther that when any building is turned over to the state for 45 use as an armory or drill shed the armory commission shall 46 be authorized to approve for payment from the appropri-47 ation for armory rentals such sums as may be necessary 48 for the upkeep of such building including repairs, furnish-40 ings, light, heat, water and janitor service.

Whenever the military fund shall be sufficient to warrant 2 such expenditure, the armory commission may, with the 3 approval and by direction of the governor, erect upon lands 4 donated to the state for the purpose either by municipalities, 5 corporations or individuals, armories, drill rooms, head-6 quarters officers, stables or other buildings for military pur-7 poses.

It shall be the duty of municipal officers to provide for

2 organizations of the national guard located within the limits 3 of their respective towns a suitable target range, except 4 where such range shall be provided out of the funds appro-5 priated by the congress of the United States and appor-6 tioned to the state for that purpose; and it shall be the duty 7 of such municipal officers to maintain and keep in good 8 repair such target range for the use of the company or como panies located within the limits of their municipality, irreto spective of the method in which such range may have been 11 obtained. The suitability of such target range for the nec-12 essary military purposes shall be as determined by the senior 13 officer in the ordnance department of the national guard and 14 approved by the adjutant general. All ranges shall be open 15 for the use of members of the national guard at any time, 16 including Sundays, subject to the approval of the adjutant 17 general.

Any municipal officer who fails, refuses or neglects to take 2 effective measures for providing and maintaining such suit-3 able drill rooms, offices, armories, headquarters or stables 4 as prescribed in this section, and any municipal officer who 5 fails, refuses or neglects to take effective measures for pro-6 viding and maintaining a suitable target range as prescribed 7 in this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, prosecuted 8 by complaint or indictment before a court of competent 9 jurisdiction, and upon conviction shall be fined not less 10 than one hundred dollars nor more than four hundred 11 dollars, or imprisoned for not less than three months nor

12 more than six months, or shall suffer both such fine and 13 imprisonment, which fine shall be paid into the state treas-14 ury and credited to the military fund.

Sect. 53. MUNICIPALITIES TO RAISE MONEY BY 2 TAXATION. All municipalities in this state are hereby 3 given power and authority to build or acquire by purchase, 4 lease, gift or otherwise, suitable armories, drill-rooms, 5 stables, headquarters offices, and the land necessary therefor 6 and for target ranges for such organizations of the national 7 guard and naval militia as may be stationed or located 8 therein, and to provide for the maintenance and repair of 9 the same; and all municipalities are hereby authorized, and 10 it shall be the duty of the officers thereof, to raise money 11 by taxation or otherwise for the purpose of providing suit-12 able armories, drill-rooms, stables, headquarters offices and 13 target ranges for such organizations of the national guard 14 and naval militia as may be stationed and located therein, in 15 such manner as is by law provided for the erection and 16 maintenance of all municipal public buildings and improve-17 ments.

Sect. 54. EXEMPTION FROM TAXATION. All 2 armories, drill-rooms, offices, stables, headquarters offices, 3 and target ranges, owned by the state or by any municipality, 4 or by any organization of the national guard, and such portion of buildings and lands leased by the state or by any 6 municipality, or by an officer or organization of the national 7 guard, to be used as an armory, drill-room, stable, head-

8 quarters office, target range, or for other military purposes 9 shall be exempt from taxation for all purposes during the 10 period of such ownership or lease and use.

Sect. 55. ARMORY COMMISSION. The adjutant 2 general, together with two officers of the line of the national 3 guard of or above the grade of captain, and two civilians 4 appointed by the governor for a term of four years unless 5 sooner relieved by proper authority and eligible to reap-6 pointment for a like period, shall constitute an armory com-7 mission of which the adjutant general shall be the chairman. 8 whose duty it shall be to exercise general supervision and 9 control over all armories, drill-rooms, headquarters offices, 10 stables, to consult and co-operate with the municipal au-11 thorities and to devise effective means of obtaining and 12 maintaining such armories, and to fix, subject to the approv-13 al of the governor, the compensation to be allowed to the 14 municipalities as rent for them; they shall have the power, 15 after consulting and hearing the responsible municipal offi-16 cers, to determine the administrative question of military 17 suitability and adequate maintenance of all armories, drill-18 rooms, offices, headquarters offices, stables, and it shall be 19 their duty to notify the responsible municipal officers of all 20 deficiencies in these respects, and should such officers fail, 21 refuse or neglect to take effective measures for providing 22 such suitable buildings and their maintenance, the chairman 23 of the commission shall initiate the prosecution prescribed 24 by section fifty-two. The armory commission is authorized

25 where towns or municipalities have been relieved from 26 compliance with the provisions of this act to provide 27 armories, target ranges or stables by reason of any agree-28 ment or agreements entered into between such towns or 29 cities and the state of Maine, to hire or lease suitable 30 buildings for drill halls, quarters, headquarters offices or 31 stables as may be necessary to adequately house the na-32 tional guard. For each day actually employed in the trans-33 action of the business of the armory commission the mem-34 bers other than the adjutant general shall receive as com-35 pensation the sum of five dollars and all members shall be 36 reimbursed for actual traveling expenses, such accounts to 37 be paid from the military fund.

Sect. 56. COURTS-MARTIAL. Courts-martial in the 2 national guard shall be of three kinds, namely, general 3 courts-martial, special courts-martial and summary courts-4 martial. They shall be constituted, and have cognizance of 5 the same subjects and possess like powers, except as to 6 punishments, as similar courts provided for by the laws and 7 regulations governing the army of the United States, and 8 the proceedings of courts-martial of the national guard shall 9 follow the forms and modes of procedure as now or shall 10 be hereafter prescribed for similar courts.

Sect. 57. RULES OF EVIDENCE. The rules of evi-2 dence in all courts-martial shall follow in general, so far as 3 applicable, the common law rules of evidence as observed 4 by the courts of this state in criminal cases, but a certain 5 latitude in the introduction of evidence and the examination 6 of witnesses by an avoidance of restrictive rules is per-7 missible when it is in the interest of the administration of 8 military justice. The accused shall at his own request, but 9 not otherwise, be a competent witness; and his failure to 10 make such request shall not create any presumption against 11 him.

Sect. 58. WARRANTS AND RIGHTS OF ACCUSED.

2 Presidents of courts-martial and summary court officers

3 shall have power to issue, in the name of the state, warrants

4 directing any sheriff or constable to arrest accused persons

5 and bring them before the court for trial, and the accused

6 shall have the right to demand the nature and cause of the

7 accusation against him, and to be presented with a copy of

8 the charges. He shall have the right of being heard by

9 himself or counsel, or both; and shall have compulsory

10 process for obtaining witnesses in his favor.

Sect. 59. SUMMONING OF WITNESSES. Presi2 dents of courts-martial and any summary court officer shall
3 have power to summon the necessary witnesses for the trial
4 of cases and for that purpose shall have power to issue, in
5 the name of the state, all necessary subpoenas and subpoenas
6 duces tecum. They shall have power to issue the like
7 processes to compel witnesses to appear and testify which
8 courts of criminal jurisdiction within this state may law9 fully issue. Such writs and processes may be directed to
10 any sheriff or constable whose duty it shall be to serve or

11 execute such writ and process when issued by the civil 12 courts of criminal jurisdiction in this state.

The attendance of witnesses in the military service of the 2 state may be procured by the service of formal subpoena, or 3 by the order of competent military authority; and every 4 person in the military service of the state who being duly 5 subpoenaed or ordered to appear as a witness before the 6 courts-martial wilfully neglects or refuses to appear to 7 qualify as a witness, or to testify or produce documentary 8 evidence, shall be deemed guilty of disobedience of orders o and punished by a court-martial accordingly; and every 10 person not belonging to the military service of the state who II being duly subpoenaed to appear as a witness before a court-12 martial wilfully neglects or refuses to appear or refuses so 13 to qualify, testify or produce documentary evidence, shall 14 be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and prosecuted like 15 other misdemeanors in any court of competent jurisdiction 16 and punished by a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars; 17 provided that such witness may plead as a defense that he 18 was not tendered one day's fee and mileage for the journey 19 to and from the place of trial; and provided, that all wit-20 nesses shall receive the fees prescribed by statute for wit-21 nesses in the supreme judicial court, such amounts to be 22 paid by the adjutant general out of the military fund; and 23 provided that no witness shall be compelled to incriminate 24 himself or to answer any question which may tend to in-25 criminate or degrade him.

Sect. 60. JURISDICTION. All courts-martial of the 2 national guard including summary courts shall have power 3 to sentence to confinement in lieu of fines authorized to be 4 imposed; provided, that such sentence of confinement shall 5 not exceed one day for each dollar of fine and costs au-6 thorized.

All processes, warrants and sentences of courts-martial 2 shall be executed by civil officers in this state the same as like 3 precepts of the supreme judicial court are executed in the 4 state, and all such processes, warrants or sentences when 5 issued by any courts-martial shall extend to any part of the 6 state.

Sect. 61. CONFINEMENT. When the sentence of a 2 court-martial adjudges a fine and costs against any person, 3 and such sentence has been approved as provided by section 4 ninety of this act, or whenever a person in the military 5 service is ordered confined to await trial or is sentenced to 6 confinement by a court-martial, or whenever any person is 7 ordered into confinement at a place or station not provided 8 with a guard house or military prison, the governor, the 9 court or officer ordering the court, or the officer commanding for the time being, as the case may be, shall issue a 11 warrant of commitment directed to the sheriff of the county 12 in which the court-martial was held, directing him to take 13 the body of the person so convicted and confine him in the 14 county jail; and it shall be the duty of the sheriff to take 15 the body of the person convicted and confine him in the

16 county jail for the time specified in the sentence, or for one 17 day for any fine not exceeding one dollar, and one additional 18 day for every dollar above that sum, and one additional day 19 for each dollar of cost. The costs of arrest and commit-20 ment in all court-martial proceedings shall be the same as 21 is prescribed in the revised statutes of this state for such 22 service in the courts of this state and shall be paid by the 23 adjutant general from the military fund on presentation of 24 all papers or copies of papers showing the service thereon; 25 such papers and copies to be certified as correct by the 26 judge advocate or summary court.

Sect. 62. JURISDICTION PRESUMED. The juris-2 diction of the courts and boards established by this act shall 3 be presumed, and the burden of proof shall rest on any 4 person seeking to oust such courts or boards of jurisdiction 5 in any action or proceeding.

No action or proceeding shall be prosecuted or maintained 2 against a member of the military forces of this state or an 3 officer acting under its authority or reviewing its proceed-4 ings on account of the approval or imposition or execution 5 of any sentence, or the imposition or collection of any fine 6 or penalty, or the execution of any warrant, writ, execution, 7 process or mandate of a military court.

Sect. 63. OATHS, BY WHOM ADMINISTERED. 2 Officers of the judge-advocate general's department, judge-3 advocates of courts-martial, summary court officers, and the 4 recorders of a board, are hereby authorized to administer

5 oaths for the purpose of military administration, and shall 6 charge no fee for the same.

Sect. 64. REPORTS TO BE MADE TO ADJUTANT 2 GENERAL. Each summary court and the judge-advocate 3 of each special court shall, at the end of each month, make 4 a report to the adjutant general of the cases tried, setting 5 forth the offense committed and the penalty awarded, which 6 reports may be destroyed when no longer of use.

Sect. 65. APPLICABLE TO NAVAL MILITIA. The 2 provisions in regard to courts and boards established by this 3 act shall apply, so far as applicable, to the naval militia.

Sect. 66. UNIFORM OF COMMISSIONED OFFI2 CERS. All commissioned officers shall provide themselves
3 with such uniforms, arms and equipments as are required of
4 commissioned officers of the regular army, and the adjutant
5 general may purchase and issue as state property on memo6 randum receipt or sell for cash to commissioned officers
7 such articles of arms, uniforms and equipment as he may
8 deem necessary.

EXEMPTION FROM ATTACHMENT. The clothes, 2 arms, military outfit and accountrements furnished by or 3 through the state to a member of the active militia and the 4 uniforms, arms and equipment required of commissioned 5 officers shall not be subject to any suit, distress, execution, 6 or sale for debt or payment of taxes.

Sect. 67. UNIFORM NOT TO BE WORN BY UN-2 AUTHORIZED PERSONS. Every person, other than an

3 officer or enlisted man of the national guard of this state, or 4 of any other state, or of the United States army, navy, 5 marine corps, or revenue or forest service, or a member of 6 any service of the United States for whom such uniform 7 has been prescribed by proper authority, or inmate of any 8 veterans' or soldiers' home, or a member of the Grand 9 Army of the Republic, or of the Sons of Veterans or the 10 boy scouts of America, who at any time wears the uniform II of the United States army or navy or national guard of this 12 state, or any part of such uniform, or a uniform or a part of 13 a uniform similar thereto, within the limits of this state, shall 14 be guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall upon conviction be 15 punished by a fine not exceeding three hundred dollars, or 16 by imprisonment in the county jail not exceeding six months, 17 or by both such fine and imprisonment, provided, that noth-18 ing in this act shall be construed as prohibiting persons of 10 the theatrical profession from wearing such uniform in any 20 playhouse or theatre actually engaged in following said pro-21 fession, and provided that nothing in this act shall be con-22 strued as prohibiting the uniform rank of civic societies 23 parading or traveling in a body or assembling in a lodge 24 room; and provided further, that whenever the national 25 guard or any part thereof is in active service, or is called 26 into active service, no civic organization or member thereof 27 shall parade or appear in uniform in the locality where said 28 national guard is in service.

Sect. 68. EQUIPMENT NOT TO BE SOLD. The

2 clothes, arms, military outfits and accoutrements furnished 3 by or through the state to any member of the national 4 guard shall not be sold, bartered, exchanged, pledged, loaned 5 or given away; and no person not a member of the military 6 forces of this state or the United States, or duly authorized 7 officer or agent of the state or of the United States, who 8 has possession of any such clothes, arms, military outfit or o accoutrements so furnished and which have been the sub-10 ject of any such unlawful disposition, shall have any right, II title or interest therein; but the same shall be seized and 12 taken wherever found by any officer of the state, civil or 13 military, and shall thereupon be delivered to any command-14 ing officer or other officer authorized to receive the same, 15 who shall make an immediate report to the adjutant gen-16 eral. The possession of any such clothes, arms, military 17 outfits or accoutrements by any person not a member of the 18 military forces of the state or of the United States shall be 19 presumptive evidence of such sale, barter, exchange, pledge, 20 loan or gift.

Sect. 69. PENALTY FOR SALE OF EQUIPMENT.

2 Any person who shall sell, or offer for sale, barter, ex
3 change, pledge, loan or give away, secrete or retain after

4 demand made by any officer of the state, civil or military,

5 any clothes, arms, military outfits or accourtements fur
6 nished by or through the state to a member of the national

7 guard, or who shall receive by purchase, barter, exchange,

8 pledge, loan or gift, any such clothes, arms, military out-

9 fits or accourrements shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and 10 punished by a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars or 11 by imprisonment not exceeding six months, or by both such 12 fine and imprisonment.

Sect. 70. REPAIR OF EQUIPMENT. The adjutant 2 general shall, whenever it may be necessary, make arrange-3 ments for the repair, cleansing and renovation of all clothes, 4 arms, military outfits or accoutrements on hand or issued 5 to any organization of the national guard; and when the 6 necessity of such repair, cleansing or renovation is due to 7 the fault or negligence of any member of the national guard, 8 the cost thereof shall be charged against any pay due or 9 to become due such member or recovered in the same man-10 ner as a fine, forfeiture or penalty, as prescribed by this 11 chapter.

Sect. 71. INSPECTION AND CONDEMNATION.

2 The inspector general or such other military officer as the 3 adjutant general may designate, shall inspect and condemn 4 public military property which has become unfit for use; 5 no property shall be sold until it has been so inspected and 6 condemned and such condemnation approved by the adjutant general, and the proceeds of sales of condemned mase terial, stores, supplies, or other public military property of 9 every kind shall be deposited with the adjutant general, 10 paid into the state treasury, and credited to the military fund.

Sect. 72. STATE EQUIPMENT; OBSOLETE PAT-

2 TERNS MAY BE ISSUED TO MUNICIPALITIES.
3 All property furnished by the state shall remain and con4 tinue to be the property of the state, to be used for mili5 tary purposes only, and when not so in use shall be kept
6 in the armories or designated places of deposit; provided,
7 however, that upon order of the governor and council, the
8 quartermaster general is authorized to issue to the munici9 pal officers of any city or town field ordnance of obsolete
10 pattern under such regulations as the governor and council
11 may prescribe. Every officer receiving public property for
12 military use shall be held responsible for the safe-keeping
13 and the return of the same when called for; he shall ac14 count for and make such returns thereof as may be pre15 scribed whenever called upon so to do by the governor or
16 other proper authority.

Sect. 73. DESTRUCTION OF EQUIPMENT. Any 2 officer, enlisted man or other person, who shall wilfully or 3 maliciously destroy, injure or deface any particle of mili-4 tary property belonging to the state or United States, or 5 shall use it for other than military purposes, or shall have 6 or retain the same in violation of law or regulations, shall 7 be punished by a fine not exceeding fifty dollars. And in 8 case any officer or enlisted man of the national guard who 9 has at any time through carelessness or inattention lost, 10 destroyed or suffered to be lost or destroyed, any state 11 or government property which has been issued for his use, 12 the paymaster general shall retain out of the pay or allow

13 ances or moneys due such officer or enlisted man for any 14 military services whatsoever, an amount of money equal 15 to the value of the property so lost or destroyed, and money 16 so retained shall be credited to the account of such officer 17 of the national guard as may be accountable to the state 18 for said property. Such portion of said money as shall 19 be for state property shall be turned in to the treasurer of 20 the state, to be credited to the military fund, and such por-21 tion as may be for United States property shall be turned 22 in to the United States treasury to be credited to the state 23 on its property returns.

Sect. 74. EXEMPTION FROM ARREST. Every per-2 son belonging to the national guard of the state shall in 3 all cases, except felony and breach of the peace, be privi-4 leged from arrest while going to, remaining at, or return-5 ing from any place at which he may be required to attend 6 for military duty.

Sect. 75. EXEMPTION FROM JURY DUTY. Every 2 member of the national guard, every retired officer, and 3 every enlisted man holding the certificate of merit shall 4 be exempt from all jury duty; production of a certificate 5 from the claimant's commanding officer showing that the 6 holder is a member of the national guard, or a certificate 7 of retirement, or of a certificate of merit, or the sworn 8 statement of the claimant that he is such member, retired 9 officer, or holder of a certificate of merit, shall be prima 10 facie proof that the claimant is entitled to the exemption.

Sect. 76. VOLUNTARY SERVICE. No organization 2 of the national guard shall perform any voluntary military 3 service except as authorized by this act or by the express 4 orders of the governor.

Sect. 77. PERMISSION TO LEAVE OR ENTER 2 STATE. No organization of the national guard shall leave 3 the state, and no military organization of another state, 4 unless acting under the authority of the United States, shall 5 enter the state, except in each case by permission of the 6 governor.

Sect. 78. OTHER MILITARY ORGANIZATIONS 2 PROHIBITED. No body of men, other than the national 3 guard and the troops of the United States, shall associate 4 themselves together as a military company or organization, 5 or parade in public with firearms in any city or town of 6 this state; nor shall any city or town raise or appropriate 7 any money toward arming, equipping, uniforming or in any 8 other way supporting, sustaining or providing drill-rooms 9 or armories for any such body of men; but associations 10 wholly composed of soldiers and sailors honorably dis-11 charged from the service of the United States and the order 12 known as the Sons of Veterans may parade at any time 13 in public with firearms, having first obtained the written 14 permission of the city or municipal officers of the town 15 or city in which they reside to parade, and students in edu-16 cational institutions where military science is taught as a 17 prescribed part of the course of instruction, may, with the 18 consent of the governor, drill and parade with firearms in 19 public under the superintendence of their military instruction tors. Any person violating any provision of this section 21 shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and punished by 22 a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars, or by imprison-23 ment not exceeding six months, or by both such fine and 24 imprisonment.

Sect. 79. RIGHT OF WAY. The commander of any 2 portion of the national guard parading or performing any 3 military duty in any street or highway, may require any 4 or all persons in such street or highway, to yield the right 5 of way to such national guard, provided the carriage of the 6 United States mail, the legitimate functions of the police 7 and the progress and operations of the hospital ambulances, 8 fire engines and fire departments, and apparatus of the in-9 surance patrol shall not be interfered with thereby. 10 others who shall hinder, delay or obstruct any portion of II the national guard whenever parading or performing any 12 military duty, or who shall attempt so to do, shall be guilty 13 of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be 14 punished by a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars, or 15 by imprisonment not exceeding six months, or by both 16 such fine and imprisonment.

Sect. 80. BOUNDS AND LIMITS OF CAMPS. Ev-2 ery commanding officer, when on duty as such, may fix 3 necessary bounds and limits to his camp, or parade, not 4 including a road so as to prevent passing. Whoever in-

5 trudes within the limits of the parade, camp or armory, 6 after being forbidden, or resists a sentinel who attempts 7 to put him or keep him out of such limits, or in any man-8 ner interrupts or molests the orderly discharge of duty by o those under arms, or disturbs, hinders or prevents the pass-10 age of troops going to or returning from any duty, may, II at the discretion of the commanding officer, be confined 12 under guard not exceeding twenty-four hours. Such au-13 thority of an officer commanding a camp may be extended 14 by order of the commander-in-chief to a distance not ex-15 ceeding one-half mile around such camp; provided, that 16 the owner or owners of the external space within such dis-17 tance of the camp, and their agents or servants, shall not 18 be hindered or prevented from entering upon such space 19 for the purpose of using, occupying and improving the 20 same in the same manner in which they used, occupied and 21 improved the same at the time when the camp was estab-22 lished. The commanding officer of any camp or armory 23 shall prohibit the introduction or sale of, or dealing in, 24 beer, wine or any intoxicating liquor, within the limits or 25 extended limits of the camp or within the armory, and he 26 may abate as common nuisances all such sales and intro-27 ductions.

Sect. 81. DEPRIVING MEMBERS OF EMPLOY-2 MENT. Any person who either by himself or with an-3 other, wilfully deprives a member of the national guard 4 or naval militia of his employment, or prevents his being 5 employed by himself or another, or obstructs or annoys 6 said member of said national guard or naval militia or his 7 employer in respect to his trade, business or employment, 8 because said member of said national guard or naval miligitia is such member, or dissuades any person from enlistic ing in the said national guard or naval militia by threat 11 of injury to him in case he shall so enlist, in respect to 12 his employment, trade or business, shall be deemed guilty 13 of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be 14 punished by a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars, or 15 by imprisonment not exceeding six months, or by both such 16 fine and imprisonment.

Sect. 82. DISCRIMINATION AGAINST MEMBERS.

2 No association or corporation, constituted or organized for 3 the purpose of promoting the success of the trade, employ-4 ment or business of the members thereof, shall by any con-5 stitution, rule, by-law, resolution, vote or regulation, dis-6 criminate against any member of the national guard or 7 naval militia because of such membership, in respect to 8 the eligibility of such member of the national guard or 9 naval militia to membership in such association or cor-10 poration, or in respect to his rights to retain said last men-11 tioned membership; and any person who aids in enforcing 12 any such provisions against a member of the said national 13 guard or naval militia with intent to discriminate against 14 him because of such membership, shall be guilty of a mis-15 demeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be punished

16 by a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars, or by im-17 prisonment not exceeding six months, or by both such fine 18 and imprisonment.

Sect. 83. MOLESTATION OF MEMBERS. 2 shall unlawfully molest, insult or abuse any member of the 3 national guard or naval militia while in the performance 4 of his duty shall be deemed guilty of misdemeanor, and 5 on conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine not to 6 exceed five hundred dollars or by imprisonment not to ex-7 ceed six months, or by both such fine and imprisonment. Sect. 84. PROSECUTION OF OFFENSES BEFORE 2 CIVIL COURTS. Offenses against the provisions of this 3 chapter, except when they are purely military and com-4 mitted by a person subject to military jurisdiction, may, 5 unless a different remedy is specially provided, be prose-6 cuted by complaint or indictment before a court of com-7 petent criminal jurisdiction; and all fines and forfeitures 8 collected under the provisions of this chapter, the dispo-9 sition whereof is not otherwise specially provided for, shall 10 be paid into the state treasury and credited to the military II fund.

Sect. 85. NEGLECT OF CIVIL OFFICERS TO PER-2 FORM DUTIES IMPOSED ON THEM. Civil officers 3 named in this chapter, neglecting or refusing to obey its 4 provisions, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon 5 conviction therefor shall be punished by a fine not to ex-6 ceed five hundred dollars or by imprisonment not to ex7 ceed six months or by both such fine and imprisonment.

Sect. 86. COMPANY BY-LAWS. Companies of the 2 national guard may make by-laws, subject to the written 3 approval of the adjutant general, not repugnant to law, 4 orders or regulations, and fix a sum to be paid by any mem-5 ber of such company for non-compliance therewith not ex-6 ceeding five dollars. Any member who fails to pay such 7 sums so fixed, within thirty days after notification that the 8 same is due, shall be deemed guilty of conduct to the prejugice of good order and military discipline, and punished by 10 a court-martial accordingly.

Sect. 87. NATIONAL GUARD ASSOCIATION. The 2 commissioned officers of the national guard may organize 3 themselves into an association the name of which shall be 4 The National Guard Association of the State of Maine. 5 Such association may adopt a constitution and by-laws not 6 repugnant to law, orders, or regulations, and alter and 7 amend the same, and may take and hold such real and 8 personal property as may be necessary for the purposes of 9 the association.

Sect. 88. REGULATIONS. The governor is hereby 2 authorized to make such rules and regulations as he may 3 deem expedient, but such rules and regulations shall con-4 form to this chapter, and regulations published by the militia 5 bureau of the war department for the government of the 6 national guard of the United States, as nearly as practicable 7 to those governing the United States army and navy, and

8 when promulgated, shall have the same force and effect as 9 the provisions of this chapter. The rules and regulations in 10 force at the time of the passage of this chapter, and not 11 inconsistent herewith, shall remain in force until new rules 12 and regulations are approved and promulgated.

RULES GOVERNING MILITIA NOT IN 2 FEDERAL SERVICE WHEN CALLED OUT 3 GOVERNOR. Whenever any portion of the militia not 4 being in the service of the United States shall be on duty or 5 ordered to assemble for duty by the governor in time of 6 actual war, insurrection, invasion or rebellion, the articles 7 of war governing the army of the United States, the 8 articles for the government of the United States navy, and 9 the regulations prescribed for the army and navy of the 10 United States, so far as consistent with this chapter and II the regulations issued thereunder, shall be in force and 12 regarded as a part of this chapter until said forces shall 13 duly be relieved from such duty during such state of actual 14 war, insurrection, invasion, or rebellion; but no punishment 15 under such rules and articles which shall extend to the 16 taking of life, shall in any case be inflicted until the approval 17 by the governor of the sentence inflicting such punishment. Sect. 90. ARTICLES OF WAR AND COURTS-MAR-2 TIAL. Except as provided in the preceding sections the 3 national guard of Maine, and the unorganized militia when-4 ever called into service, shall at all times and in all places, be

5 governed by the articles of war and the manual of courts-

6 martial, as now or hereafter modified and adapted to the 7 use of the national guard by the war department, militia 8 bureau, in the national guard regulations.

Sect. 91. Chapter two hundred and fifty-nine of the public 2 laws of nineteen hundred and seventeen, and all amend-3 ments thereto, are hereby repealed.