

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# FORTIETH LEGISLATURE.

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HOUSE.

[EXTRA SESSION.]

No. 1.

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## STATE OF MAINE.

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

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AN ACT to authorize the raising of ten regiments to aid  
the president of the United States in enforcing the laws  
and maintaining the government thereof, and to protect  
the same against its enemies, and in defence of the state.

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

SECTION 1. The governor is hereby authorized and  
2 empowered, to accept the services and cause to be  
3 enlisted, enrolled and mustered into the service of the  
4 state for two years, unless sooner discharged by the  
5 governor and council, ten regiments of volunteers not  
6 exceeding one thousand men to each regiment ; to be  
7 officered, organized and equipped, in such manner as  
8 the governor may order and direct, and in accordance

9 with the constitution, and without regard to existing  
10 military districts. Elections for officers may be or-  
11 dered and presided over by any major general in the  
12 volunteer militia of this state, or by any officer detailed  
13 by him, at such times and places, and upon such no-  
14 tice to the electors, less than ten days, as the officer  
15 ordering the election may direct—the said force here-  
16 by authorized, being in addition to the present military  
17 organization of the state and a part of the militia  
18 thereof; the officers of any company now organized  
19 which may volunteer and be accepted under this act,  
20 shall continue in office under their present commissions.

SECT. 2. The officers and men of said force shall be  
2 paid only for the time actually spent in drilling and  
3 instruction under the order and directions of the gov-  
4 ernor, and until ordered into actual service under the  
5 state or national government, and shall receive the  
6 same pay and rations while in service under the pro-  
7 visions of this act, as the officers and men of the same  
8 rank and arm of the service in the army of the United  
9 States, and they shall be liable at all times, to be  
10 turned over to the service of the United States, on the  
11 order of the governor as a part of the militia of this  
12 state, upon the requisition of the president of the  
13 United States, and there shall be paid from the treas-

14 ury of the state, a bounty of one month's pay, to  
15 each non-commissioned officer, musician, artificer and  
16 private, or his order, when actually mustered into the  
17 service of the United States.

SECT. 3. The captains of the respective companies  
2 organized by virtue of this act, shall make monthly  
3 returns of the services performed by all the members  
4 thereof, in behalf of the state, to the colonel of the  
5 regiment, and said colonel shall make like returns, of  
6 the services of the regiment, based upon said company  
7 returns and services of regimental officers, to the adju-  
8 tant general, who shall provide the proper blanks  
9 therefor; the paymasters of the respective regiments  
10 before entering upon the duties of their offices shall  
11 enter into bonds to the state in such sum as the gov-  
12 ernor and council shall direct, and with such sureties  
13 as they shall approve, conditioned for the faithful ap-  
14 plication according to law, of all moneys they shall  
15 receive by virtue of their office, which bonds shall be  
16 filed in the office of the treasurer of state.

SECT. 4. The force hereby created, when called into  
2 service, shall be subject to all the rules and articles  
3 applicable to troops in the service of the United States.

SECT. 5. The sum of one million of dollars, or so  
2 much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appro-

3 priated out of any money in the treasury not otherwise  
 4 appropriated, to defray the expenditures authorized by  
 5 this act or any other expenses of mustering the militia  
 6 of the state or any part thereof into the service of the  
 7 United States or for the defence of this state. All  
 8 expenditures for arms, supplies, equipments, trans-  
 9 portation and all other expenses, necessary for said  
 10 force or for the defence of the state, shall be made  
 11 under the direction of the governor and council, and  
 12 the governor, with the advice of the council, shall draw  
 13 his warrants upon the treasurer for all expenditures  
 14 hereby authorized.

SECT. 6. Cities and towns shall make proper  
 2 provision for the support of the families of any per-  
 3 sons having their residence in such cities or towns who  
 4 may enlist by virtue of this act, during their absence  
 5 from the state, and whose families may stand in need  
 6 of assistance. No disabilities of any kind whatever  
 7 shall be created by reason of aid so furnished and  
 8 received.

SECT. 7. This act shall take effect on its approval  
 2 by the governor.

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## STATE OF MAINE.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }  
 April 23, 1861. }

Reported from the Joint Select Committee on the Governor's Address, and 3,000  
 copies ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

CHARLES A. MILLER, CLERK.