

for has been properly expended in the service, or defaced, injured, lost or destroyed, without any default or neglect on his part, and if lost or wilfully defaced or destroyed, through the misconduct of any person, that reasonable efforts have been made by him to recover or prosecute for the same, and, in addition, he shall be liable to make good to the State all such property so defaced, injured, destroyed or lost by any neglect or default on his part, and for the recovery of which he has made no reasonable effort, and it shall be the duty of the Adjutant General to enter suit on the bond of said officer, in the name of the State of Maryland, for the value of such property so defaced, injured, destroyed or lost, and the officer succeeding in command of the company shall, before being commissioned, be required to file his bond, to be approved as hereinbefore required, for the safe keeping and return of all military property of the State in the possession of said company.

Enter suit.

Sec. 21. All arms, equipments and military property of every description, which shall be furnished to the several companies under the provisions of this Act, shall, when required by the commanding officer of the company, battery, battalion, squadron or regiment, be deposited in the armory of said company, battery, battalion, squadron or regiment, and the possession of any article of such property by the person to whom it was issued, ten days after he shall have been notified by written notice by the commanding officer to return it to the armory, shall be punishable by a fine of not less than five nor more than fifteen dollars, to be collected as provided in the seventh Section of this Article.

Deposited in armory.

Sec. 22. Whoever shall wilfully or maliciously destroy, injure or deface any uniform or other article of military property belonging to the State, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be punished by a fine not exceeding double the amount of the value of such uniform or other property so injured or defaced, to be recovered on complaint of the commander of the company, to which such delinquent belongs, as provided in the preceding Section, or by imprisonment in the city or county jail for not less than two weeks nor more than two months.

Fine.