

Exemption
from militia
duty.

9. No person shall be excused from militia duty on account of corporeal infirmity, unless he shall obtain from the surgeon of his military district, if any, or if none, from such respectable physician of the neighborhood or county to which he belongs as the commanding officer of the district may name, a certificate of such inability, and the same be indorsed by said commanding officer.

Military dis-
tricts.

Organization of
militia.

Rules and regu-
lations.

10. The adjutant general of this state shall, under rules and regulations to be prescribed by the governor as commander-in-chief, divide this state into military districts, and enroll and organize the militia of this state into companies, batteries, squadrons, battalions, regiments, brigades and divisions, and by general and special orders to be approved by the commander-in-chief, make such rules and regulations for their control, discipline, armament and equipment as may be constitutional and necessary, which rules and regulations shall, so far as practicable, conform to the laws and regulations governing the organizing of the United States volunteer forces, their discipline, equipment, armament and officers, and which rules and regulations shall have the force of law.

Volunteer com-
panies.

11. Volunteer companies, the members of which reside in different military districts, will, with the approval of the commander-in-chief, be recognized as forming part of said national guard, and the several districts to which they belong will be credited with the number of men respectively so furnished.

By-laws of
companies of
national guard.

12. Every organized company of the national guard may, by a vote of a majority of its members, adopt by-laws which, when approved by the commanding officer of the regiment, battery, battalion or squadron to which said company belongs, and submitted to and approved by the adjutant general, shall be binding upon all members of such company, provided that nothing therein shall be inconsistent with the constitution of this state, or the general militia law thereof, or the rules and regulations prescribed under the direction of the commander-in-chief as hereinbefore pro-