

duty to that time, and if he has complied with all the obligations, pecuniary or otherwise, to his said command, assumed by him or lawfully imposed on him; provided, however, that no such discharge shall be granted in case at the time of said application the said individual or the command to which he is attached is engaged in active service or duty, or under orders therefor, or in case the member so applying is under arrest for, or actually undergoing punishment for some offence, or by misconduct or default has made himself liable to punishment or penalties then about to be imposed; the commandant of any regiment or battalion or independent company may, however, at any time, in his discretion, and for reasons satisfactory to him, grant an honorable discharge to any enlisted man in good standing in his command; and provided further, that any soldier a member of any of said commands on April 1, 1886, or thereafter becoming such, in case he shall serve or shall have served for the full period of three years, may, with the approval of the commandant of the regiment or battalion or independent company to which he belongs, re-enlist for some other definite period not less than one year, and during said period shall have all the privileges and be subject to all the duties of one regularly enlisted for the full term

1886, ch. 162, sec. 4.

29. The force thus composed and organized shall be considered in the actual military service of this State, and liable to be called into actual service at any time for the repression of disorder and for the protection of property in aid of the civil authorities and the police of the State; and the members thereof shall be subject to all such military rules and regulations as are applicable to such bodies in time of peace: and all military offences, such as disobedience of orders, non-attendance at drills, assemblies, parades, reviews or encampments, or neglect or non-performance of such other duty as they may lawfully be called on to perform, shall be considered, and they are hereby declared to be offences against the general police regulations of the State, and shall be punished by fine or imprisonment, as hereinafter provided; and in addition to said fine or imprisonment as may be thus imposed, the offender may be reprimanded or dishonorably discharged from the service by the commandant of the