

above mentioned absences from such assemblies, except *bona fide* absence from the city or place where such assemblies are ordered, sickness of the member (such as would prevent attention to ordinary pursuits,) sickness of family requiring his personal care, or recent domestic affliction.

1896, ch. 89.

27. The commanding officers of the several regiments and separate organizations of the Maryland National Guard shall appoint courts-martial, in accordance with the provisions of the by-laws of their several organizations which may be adopted and approved from time to time under the provisions of section 24 of this article, for the trial of the offenses and the imposition of the fines prescribed in sections 25 and 26, and the offender shall be entitled to a hearing before the court-martial so constituted. Upon the finding of any such court-martial imposing any of said fines, and upon the approval of the finding by the commanding officer appointing the court, the fine or fines so imposed shall be and become at once payable; and in case any officer or enlisted man upon whom a fine has been imposed in accordance with the provisions of this section shall fail, refuse or neglect to pay the fine so imposed upon him, within ten days after he shall have been notified thereof, the said fine may be collected in the name of the State before any justice of the peace in the county or city where the delinquent resides, in the same manner as other fines for offenses against the general police regulations of the State are collected, upon the certificate in writing of the proper commanding officer setting forth the finding of the court-martial and his approval thereof. Upon the production of such certificate to the justice of the peace he shall forthwith adjudge and require the fines so certified as having been imposed and approved, together with all costs of the proceedings before him to be paid, and in default of payment of said fine with costs as aforesaid, said justice shall commit the delinquent to the jail of the city or county where the said delinquent resides for one day for every dollar of the said aggregate amount of fine and cost; but in no case shall the period of imprisonment exceed ten days.

Ibid

28. Any member of the Maryland National Guard who shall wilfully and unlawfully misapply or convert to his own use any