

writing or by telegraph to the commander-in-chief setting forth particularly the necessity for such aid, and if the emergency require, the said board or the said sheriff may, without waiting for a reply from the commander-in-chief, forthwith apply in writing or by telegraph to the commanding officer of the military or naval organization most accessible; and all commanding officers in such cases, whether ordered out by the commander-in-chief or applied to as aforesaid by the said board or the said Sheriff, shall forthwith assemble their command and take such action as the exigencies of the case may require to prevent the threatened disorder or opposition to the laws, or to suppress the riot or disorder, and in the execution of such duty, such troops shall be deemed to be on detached service and shall not be subject to the orders of any superior officer except the commander-in-chief who may, in his discretion, in the cases provided for in this section and in all other cases of internal disturbance, war or invasion, delegate, assign, and order the Adjutant General of the State, or some other competent ranking officer, to assume command of such troops; and the Adjutant General or other officer having assumed the command as herein provided for shall have full power and authority to do and to act in all respects as the Governor and commander-in-chief could or might do in the premises; and during the time the Adjutant General shall so be in command, he shall, in lieu of the pay of his office as Adjutant General, be entitled to pay at the same rate per diem that commanding officers of his rank receive in the service of the United States.

4. MAINTENANCE AND EQUIPMENT.

SEC. 35. The general appropriation for the Militia shall be exclusively applied to the necessary and contingent expenses of the Adjutant General's office and to the maintenance of the National Guard enlisted and organized as provided in this article.

Appropriation, how to be applied.

SEC. 36. Whatever sum of money is now or may hereafter be appropriated by the General Assembly of Maryland for the Militia known as the "Maryland National Guard," shall be distributed and applied on warrant of the Adjutant General, under and by the direction of the Governor and commander-in-chief, to the respective organizations constituting said Maryland National Guard, so as to promote the military efficiency of all of said respective organizations, without distinction, as the same may be needed by them respectively, except that

Distribution of appropriation.