

hereinbefore prescribed, for the safe keeping and return of all property of the State in the possession of said company or separate organization, upon the terms and conditions imposed upon the officer by whom said property was received.

SEC. 44. Whoever shall wilfully or maliciously destroy, injure or deface any arms 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 the property so injured or defaced, to be recovered on complaint of the Adjutant General or the commanding officer of the regiment, company or separate organization to which such arms or other article of military property shall have been issued, in the same manner as is prescribed for the collection of fines in section 27 of this Article, or by imprisonment in the county or city jail for not less than two weeks nor more than two months.

Destruction
of arms, etc.

SEC. 45. Whoever shall secrete, sell, dispose of, offer for sale, or in any manner pawn or pledge, or receive in pawn or pledge, or buy any arms or equipment or other property furnished to any organization of the Maryland National Guard, the property of the State or of any such organization, without proper authority, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and shall, on conviction thereof in any court having criminal jurisdiction in the State of Maryland or before any Justice of the Peace of the State of Maryland in the county or city where the offense has been committed, be punished by imprisonment in the city or county jail for not less than six months nor more than one year or by a fine of not less than fifty nor more than one hundred dollars, to be recovered as provided in section 27 of this Article.

Unlawful to
buy or sell
arms, etc.

SEC. 46. The commander-in-chief may authorize the Adjutant General or the commanding officers of the regiments and separate organizations, provided for in this Article, under such rules and regulations as he may prescribe, to rent suitable and convenient places for armories and places of drill and deposit and safe keeping of arms, equipments, and other property furnished by the State for military purposes to the said regiments or separate organizations.

Armories to
be rented.

SEC. 47. All certificates of membership of any regiment or separate organization provided for in this Article shall be signed by the commanding officer thereof; which certificates shall be issued on or before the first day of April in each year to such persons as may then compose the uniformed and active

Certificates of
membership.