

Passed Mar. 13, 1835 *An act to Enroll, Organise, Equip, and Regulate the Militia of this State.*

Citizens subject to duty

Exceptions

Section 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That all able bodied white male citizens between eighteen and forty five years of age, residents in this State, except the Vice President of the United States, the officers, judicial and executive of the government of the United States, the members of both Houses of Congress and their respective officers, the members of the Executive council and their clerk, the Chancellor, the judges of the County courts and the clerks of those courts, the judges of Baltimore city court, and the clerks of that court, the judges of the Orphans' court and the Register of Wills of the different counties of this State, the Register in Chancery, the Register of the Land office of the Eastern and Western Shores, clerks of the Court of Appeals, members of the Legislature of this State and their clerks, whilst in session; the professors and tutors of colleges and public schools, schoolmasters and practising physicians, all custom house officers with their clerks, all post masters and their clerks, stage drivers employed to carry the mail of the United States; all ferrymen employed at any ferry on the post road; all inspectors of exports, all pilots and their apprentices, all mariners actually engaged in trade or sea service, the treasurer of the Western and Eastern Shore, all ministers of the Gospel, regularly ordained, licensed, or recognised by any religious society, all Quakers, Mennonists, Tunkers, and persons conscientiously scrupulous of bearing arms, shall be subject to do militia duty; *Provided,* that no person shall be exempted from militia duty on account of conscientious scruples, who shall not produce to the captain or commanding officer of the district where he resides, a certificate from a licensed preacher of the gospel, or the proper officer of the religious society to which such person belongs, except where no such society shall exist, that shall state in substance, as follows, to wit:—I, the subscriber,

Certificate required

of the meeting or society of \_\_\_\_\_, hereby certify, \_\_\_\_\_, in the county of \_\_\_\_\_, that I believe that \_\_\_\_\_, from his exemplary deportment and uniform declarations, and from his frequently and usually attending with said society for public worship, is conscientiously scrupulous of bearing arms;