

to the members of the company under his command, and take their several bonds by which they shall obligate themselves severally, and not jointly, to keep the arms and accoutrements so by them respectively received, in good order, and to re-deliver the same in like order when legally demanded or directed, under the penalty of fifteen dollars, to be severally paid by each obligor, who shall not perform said duty; and it shall be the duty of the commanding officer of every uniform company of militia, to take a similar bond from the members of his company, for the safe keeping and re-delivery of the arms and accoutrements that he shall receive from the State and distribute or deliver to them.

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Taking bond

Conditions

Also of uniform companies

Sec. 16. *And be it enacted*, That it shall be the duty of every member of a uniform or draughted company, when he is about to retire, or be discharged therefrom, to deliver, in good order, the arms and accoutrements belonging to the State, which he had received, to the commanding officer of his company, who shall receipt therefor, in duplicate, which receipt shall or may be pleaded as a discharge of said members' bond.

Return of arms

Sec. 17. *And be it enacted*, That it shall be the duty of the commanding officer of every uniformed and draughted company of militia, to order every member, who is about to retire, or to be discharged from the company under his command, to re-deliver to him the arms and accoutrements belonging to the State, which such member had received and had not returned; and in case any person shall refuse or neglect to comply with such order, for more than four days after he shall be notified thereof, the commanding officer, who gave the order, shall forthwith certify such neglect or refusal to the sheriff of his county, who shall thereupon proceed to make and collect, in the name and to the use of the State, the sum of fifteen dollars, from such delinquent, by the same means, and in the same mode and manner, that he would or might adopt or pursue, to make the sum of any judgment debt, upon an execution issued to enforce the same.

Duty of officer to require the return of arms

Notify neglect to sheriff

Who shall proceed as under judgment for 15 dollars

Sec. 18. *And be it enacted*, That the Governor and Council shall, from time to time, adopt such measures, and give such orders, as they shall deem necessary, for the collection, preservation, distribution, delivery, and re-delivery, of the arms, accoutrements, and ammunition, belonging to this State; and provide and issue such ammunition as, in their opinion, may at any time be necessary; and to draw on the Treasurer of the Western Shore for the cost and ex-

Executive authorized in regard to arms and accoutrements