

ties of the office thereby vacated, until the same shall be CHAP. 251.
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Sec. 31. *And be it enacted*, That every commissioned officer or soldier of the militia of this State, shall take the following oath or affirmation, in addition to the oath prescribed by the constitution—I, A. B. do swear or affirm, as the case may be, that I will be true and faithful to the State of Maryland, and that I will diligently and faithfully do and perform the several duties assigned me as _____ in the militia of the State of Maryland according to the best of my skill and abilities, so long as I shall be certified or his having done so shall be certified by the person or persons by the person who may have a command of the militia as to his entering on or performing any duty of an officer after the publication of this act, and as to the oath or affirmation already taken, said oath or affirmation shall be certified if the same has been certified of his commission as aforesaid, and every commissioned officer taking or who may take said oath or affirmation shall report the same to the Adjutant General, when he shall report himself or hereafter in before directed, or within thirty days after he shall swear or affirm as aforesaid, if he is a commissioned officer, and if any officer shall neglect or refuse or refuse to comply with the provisions of this section, he may be cashiered and stricken from the rolls, or he may be fined, or fined not exceeding ten dollars, according to the discretion of such court martial as the case may be, and which fine shall be collected and paid to the treasury of the proper county, as other fines are directed to be in this act.

Sec. 32. *And be it enacted*, That when any person is called into actual service, every person being a citizen of this State, who is not a commissioned officer, shall be liable to be called to serve in person, or to procure a substitute, or to procure a substitute, which said substitute shall be appointed by the council, or commanding officer of the militia to which he shall belong; but if any person being disabled by sickness, shall neglect or refuse to serve or to procure such sufficient substitute, in his place, within ten days after notice given to him, the council, or commanding officer of the battalion, or squadron to which such delinquent belongs, shall, and he is hereby required to provide, that he procure, on as reasonable terms as may be, a substitute for such person so refusing or neglecting, and to make such sum or sums, together with reasonable expenses for procuring