

tain within this State during such period, under such regulations as the Secretary of War may prescribe for the organization, standards of training, instruction and discipline, such military forces as the Governor may deem necessary; and the Governor is authorized to reduce the number of or disband such forces at any time he deems proper. Such forces shall be composed of officers, commissioned or assigned, and such able-bodied male citizens of the State, and able-bodied males of foreign birth who have declared their intentions to become citizens, resident in the State, as shall volunteer for service therein. Such forces shall be additional to and distinct from the National Guard, and shall be known as the "Maryland State Guard." Such forces shall be uniformed as the Governor may prescribe.

58L. *Enlisted Men.* Enlistment in the State Guard shall be for one year and may be renewed, provided, however, that during the period of the present war all enlistments shall continue for the duration of said war and six months thereafter unless sooner discharged by proper authority. The oath to be taken upon enlistment in such forces shall be substantially in the form prescribed for enlisted men of the Organized Militia, substituting the words "Maryland State Guard" where necessary.

58N. *Articles of War; Freedom from Arrest.*

(a) The provisions of Section 46 of this Article shall apply to, control and govern the members of the Maryland State Guard.

(b) No officer or enlisted man of such forces shall be arrested on any warrant, except for treason or felony, while going to, remaining at, or returning from a place where he is ordered to attend for military duty.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency law and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety, and being passed upon a yea and nay vote, supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved May 6, 1943.

CHAPTER 411.

(Senate Bill 287)

AN ACT to add 16 new sections to Article 4 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland (1938 Edition), title