

Except as in this Article otherwise provided, officers and enlisted men shall receive the same per diem pay, including longevity and allowance, as officers and enlisted men of the Regular Army of like grade and length of service; provided that nothing in this section shall be construed as authorizing the Ranking Line Officer to draw any salary except that authorized and provided in the Budget.

In addition to pay, each enlisted man shall receive rations, or commutation thereof, as prescribed by the Governor.

Officers, warrant officers and enlisted men who are full time employees of the Military Department shall be entitled to receive the same pay, including longevity pay, subsistence and allowances as are authorized for persons of corresponding grades and length of service in the Regular Army.

Each enlisted man, who has served a full three-year term of enlistment and who re-enlists within ninety days after the expiration of his previous enlistment, shall receive an increase of 10 per cent. of his pay during this enlistment, and for each three years of enlistment served thereafter an increase of 10 per cent. shall be granted; not to exceed forty per cent.

Each enlisted man who qualifies as prescribed by the Governor, in small arms practice or as proficient in the various duties of the branch or arm to which he belongs, shall be paid the following increase in pay of their respective grades for a period of one year beginning on January first following such qualification: Experts, 20 per cent.; sharpshooters, gunners, drivers, and medical, first class, 15 per cent; marksmen, gunners, drivers, and medical, second class, 10 per cent.

For all purposes of this section, officers and enlisted men of the Organized Militia, who entered the military or naval service of the United States in the Spanish-American or subsequent wars, shall be entitled to credit for the time served in such service as if the service had been rendered in the Organized Militia.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1949.

Approved March 31, 1949.

CHAPTER 132

(House Bill 69)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 34 of Article 65 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition), title "Militia", authorizing the payment of rent,