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AND WHEREAS, The remote and detached situation of that part of the militia of Queen-Anne's county who reside on Kent Island, renders it impracticable for them to meet in battalion or regiment off the said island:—*Therefore,*

30. BE IT ENACTED, That the militia residing on Kent Island shall not be compelled to meet in battalion or regiment; but that the companies composing the militia on said island, shall, nevertheless, be subject to be called together to exercise twice a year on said island, exclusive of company meetings at such times and such place as the commanding officer of the battalion to which they belong shall direct; and shall be subject to the same fines for not appearing at said meetings as others are for not meeting in battalion or regiment; any thing in this act to the contrary notwithstanding.

31. AND BE IT ENACTED, That when the whole or any part of the militia of this state shall be ordered into actual service, they shall be subject to the rules and regulations of the articles of war, and be entitled to the same pay and rations as troops in the service of the United States are entitled to receive.

32. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the company now commanded by captain Charles Jones, on Dame's Quarter, in Somerset county, and the company commanded by captain David Stevens, near Hancock town, in Washington county, shall be exempt from meeting in regiment or battalion; and the company commanded by Captain William Waller, in Somerset county, shall be exempt from meeting in regiment; but the said companies shall meet as often in addition to the time prescribed by this law for the meetings of companies, as the regiment or battalion to which they belong are directed to meet.

33. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the persons liable to do militia duty under this act, residing on the island south of Hooper's straits, in Somerset and Dorchester counties, and Asseteauge island in Worcester county, shall be exempt from meeting in regiment, battalion or company on the Main; but shall be liable to be called together for exercise under a non-commissioned officer, to be appointed by the captains of the companies to which they belong, and at such times as they may direct.

34. AND BE IT ENACTED, That it shall and may be lawful for each of the commandants of the