

BOARD OF EXEMPTION.

SECT. 13.—There shall be established in each of said military districts a board of exemption, to be composed of the district commandant, and examining surgeon, to be appointed by the Governor, and the captain of the volunteer company senior in rank in said district, or in case no such company is at the time organized in the district, then said commandant and surgeon to select the third member of said board, who shall meet on the first Monday in May, in every year, and continue in session for two weeks from that day, if required, and at such other times as the commander-in-chief may appoint, for the purpose of hearing applications from all included in said enrollment, who shall claim exemption on any account whatever. The district commandant of militia shall be the presiding officer of said board, and shall give the same kind and length of notice of the time, place and object of the meeting of said board as hereinbefore required to be given of the return of the enrollment list.

Time and Mode of Exemptions.

SECT. 14.—All claims for exemption on the part of persons enrolled in each military district shall be made to the board of exemption at its annual sessions aforesaid. Said claims shall be filed in writing, and shall distinctly state the cause on account of which exemption is claimed, and shall be verified by the oath of the applicant; and the board shall have authority to examine either the applicant or any witness on oath touching the subject embraced in his application for exemption.

Fee.

SECT. 15.—Every application for exemption shall be accompanied by the payment of a fee of one dollar, which shall in all cases be a pre-requisite to the hearing of any claim for exemption for any cause whatever. Such fees shall be received and accounted for by the several district commandants as part of the military fund.

Certificate of Exemption.

SECT. 16.—If said board shall determine that the party so applying is entitled to exemption, a certificate to that effect shall be issued by it to him, and his name shall be stricken from the enrollment list; and any person enrolled who shall fail to present to the board a claim for exemption during its annual session, or whose claim being presented shall be disallowed by the board, shall be held liable for militia duty during the year, or until the board shall next assemble and grant him exemption.

Report of Proceedings.

SECT. 17.—The board of exemption shall, at the end of