

12.

The general appropriations for the militia shall be exclusively applied to the necessary and contingent expenses of the office of the [ranking line officer] ADJUTANT GENERAL and to the maintenance and equipment and for the general efficiency of the organized militia of this State, organized and enlisted as provided for in this article. No purchases shall be made, debts incurred or money expended except by the direct authority of the [ranking line officer] ADJUTANT GENERAL. The [ranking line officer] ADJUTANT GENERAL shall make rules and regulations for receipts and expenditures of all moneys coming under his control and he may require bond from such persons as he may designate. All bills shall be audited and paid by the [ranking line officer] ADJUTANT GENERAL and the general customs and methods of the finance office of the Army of the United States shall be followed as nearly as possible.

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No officer of the militia shall incur any expense whatever to be paid by the State, except such as authorized in this article, without first obtaining the authority of the [ranking line officer] ADJUTANT GENERAL. In extreme emergencies, however, the commanding officer of any organization or detachment of the organized militia may purchase such necessities as are absolutely required for the immediate use and care of his command, taking receipts in triplicate therefor; a report of such action, containing a statement of the articles purchased and the price thereof, with the receipts attached, must be made forthwith through the regular channels to the Quartermaster General. The Comptroller of the State shall be the auditor of all accounts for property purchased by the [ranking line officer] ADJUTANT GENERAL. All other military accounts payable by the State shall be audited by the [ranking line officer] ADJUTANT GENERAL. Military accounts thus audited shall be paid by the Treasurer of the State from a proper appropriation made by the legislature, upon the warrant of the [ranking line officer] ADJUTANT GENERAL, under and by direction of the Governor.

16.

(a) The [ranking line officer] ADJUTANT GENERAL shall take out and thereafter maintain a policy or policies of insurance with the State Accident Fund or with any stock corporation or mutual association authorized to transact the business of workmen's compensation insurance in this State, to secure compensation under the Workmen's Compensation Law to all officers and enlisted men of the organized militia of the State of Maryland. However, if and so long as provision equal to or better than that given under the terms of this article is made by the federal government for an officer or enlisted man or employee of the Military Department of Maryland injured in the course of employment, such officer, enlisted man or employee is not