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A Joint Resolution Asking a Modification of the Law Granting Bounties under the U. S. Supreme Court Decision of March 14, 1870.

WHEREAS, Under the decision of the supreme court of the United States of March 14, 1870, soldiers who enlisted for three years under the first call of the President, and honorably discharged prior to the expiration of their term of enlistment, are declared entitled to one hundred dollars bounty, the same as though said term of enlistment had been completed; and

WHEREAS, The accounting officers of the general government being unable to determine to what regiments said decision applies, eighty-two regiments having been accepted, instead of forty, the number authorized by the President; and

WHEREAS, The government having accepted and mustered said eighty-two regiments into the service with the implied understanding that the benefits of the law authorizing their acceptance was applicable alike to all; and

WHEREAS, Additional legislation on the part of congress is deemed necessary by the proper accounting officers of the government, to enable a compliance on their part with the terms of the decision aforesaid; therefore,

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

Asking modification of law granting bounties.

That our senators and representatives in congress be respectfully requested to use all honorable means to secure such legislation as will obviate the difficulties heretofore mentioned.

Approved Feb. 10, 1872.