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192.01 MINNESOTA NATIONAL GUARD.

The Minnesota national guard consists of the regularly enlisted militia within the ages prescribed by federal law and regulations, organized, armed, and equipped as hereinafter provided, and of commissioned officers and warrant officers within the ages and having the qualifications prescribed by federal law and regulations. "National guard" applies only to militia organized as provided for in the military code and authorized by federal law and regulations relating to the national guard. The number of officers and enlisted members of the national guard shall be fixed from time to time and organized so as to meet the requirements of the federal laws.

History: (2409) 1921 c 506 s 15; 1943 c 108 s 10; 1947 c 125 s 3; 1986 c 444

192.02 INACTIVE NATIONAL GUARD.

The inactive national guard shall be organized and maintained under such rules and regulations as may be prescribed in accordance with the federal law.

History: (2412) 1921 c 506 s 18; 1939 c 175 s 4

192.03 ORGANIZATION.

The organization of the national guard, including the composition of all units thereof, shall be such as is or may hereafter be prescribed for this state by federal law.

History: (2410) 1921 c 506 s 16

192.04 LOCATION OF UNITS.

The location of units, including headquarters shall, when not otherwise prescribed by federal law, be fixed by the governor on the recommendation of the adjutant general.

History: (2411) 1921 c.506 s 17; 1927 c 339 s 3

192.05 STATUS OF INDIVIDUALS AND UNITS OF NATIONAL GUARD IN NATIONAL EMERGENCY AND AFTERWARDS.

When congress shall have declared a national emergency or shall have authorized the use of armed land forces of the United States for any purpose requiring the use of troops in excess of those of the regular army, and the president has ordered into the active military service of the United States, to serve therein for the period of the war or emergency, any or all units and members of the national guard of this state, all forces so ordered into the active military service of the United States shall from the date thereof stand relieved from duty in the national guard of this state so long as they shall remain in the active military service of the United States, when so provided by the federal law. Upon being relieved from such duty in the military service of the United States, all such individuals and units shall revert to their national guard status.

History: (2418) 1921 c 506 s 24; 1939 c 175 s 7

192.06 OFFICERS AND ENLISTED PERSONS OF STATE STAFF AND DETACHMENT; NUMBER AND GRADES.

The number and grades of officers and enlisted persons in the state staff and detachment shall be as prescribed by federal law, but in case of war, invasion, insurrection, civil disturbance or imminent danger of any of the foregoing, the governor may temporarily increase the force to meet the emergency, and retired officers who are physically qualified may be assigned to emergency duty. All officers appointed to the state staff and detachment shall have had previous military service and shall be selected and appointed by the adjutant general and commissioned by the governor. The enlisted persons shall be recruited and administered by the detachment commander.

History: (2413) 1921 c 506 s 19; 1939 c 175 s 5; 1943 c 108 s 11; 1963 c 658 s 5; 1978 c 478 s 1

192.07 [Repealed, 1963 c 658 s 20]

192.08 QUALIFICATIONS OF OFFICERS.

Officers of the national guard shall not be commissioned as such unless they shall have been selected from the classes of persons having the qualifications prescribed by federal law and shall have taken and subscribed to the oath of office prescribed by congress.

History: (2416) 1921 c 506 s 22

192.09 [Repealed, 1978 c 478 s 9]

192.10 [Repealed, 1978 c 478 s 9]

192.105 OFFICERS; SELECTION, ASSIGNMENT, PROMOTION.

Officers for the Minnesota national guard shall be selected, commissioned, or appointed by the governor upon the recommendation of the adjutant general provided the persons have met all qualifications prescribed by federal law. Commissions shall designate the arm, branch, or staff corps to which an officer is appointed.

History: 1978 c 478 s 2

192.11 OFFICERS TO HAVE POWERS AND DUTIES OF UNITED STATES OFFICERS.

In addition to the powers and duties prescribed in the military code, all officers of the Minnesota national guard shall have the same powers, including the power to administer oaths, and perform the same duties as officers of similar rank and position in the armed forces of the United States that are authorized by federal law.

History: (2444) 1921 c 506 s 50; 1978 c 478 s 3

192.12 IN COMPUTING COMMISSIONED SERVICE, THAT IN THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES SHALL BE CONSIDERED.

Service by any person in the armed forces of the United States in the time of war, insurrection, or rebellion, shall be considered as continuous service in the national guard for any and all purposes regarding privileges and exemptions provided by law for members of the national guard by enlistment or commission. The continuous service for an officer shall include only the time the person was commissioned as an officer.

History: (2432) 1921 c 506 s 38; 1978 c 478 s 4; 1986 c 444

192.13 SUPPLIES, HOW ISSUED; BOND.

Arms, accoutrements, ammunition and stores shall be issued to the proper officers of each organization, upon requisition as prescribed by federal law. The governor may require of the accountable officers, such bonds as the governor deems necessary, not to exceed \$5,000, for securing the care and safety of property so issued and shall allow them sufficient money to insure such property against fire when so required by the federal government. The governor may also allow them sufficient money to establish and maintain regimental depots, approved by the governor and to pay for the transportation, handling and care of such property which allowance shall be paid out of the money appropriated for the purchase of supplies for the guard. The adjutant general, with the approval of the governor, may obtain and pay for, out of the annual military appropriation, an adequate indemnity bond covering officers of the national guard responsible for money and military property.

History: (2437) 1921 c 506 s 43; 1963 c 658 s 6; 1986 c 444

192.14 OFFICERS MAY RESIGN.

Commissioned officers may resign in such manner and under such circumstances as may be prescribed by federal regulations.

History: (2420) 1921 c 506 s 26

192.15 COMMISSIONS MAY BE VACATED; FEDERAL REGULATIONS.

At any time the moral character, capacity, and general fitness for the service of any national guard officer may be determined by an efficiency board as provided by federal law. Commissions of officers of the national guard may be vacated, upon resignation, absence without leave for three months, upon the recommendation of an efficiency board, or pursuant to sentence of a court martial.

History: (2419) 1921 c 506 s 25

192.16 SURPLUS OFFICERS.

Officers of the guard rendered surplus by the disbandment of their organizations shall be disposed of as provided by federal law.

History: (2419) 1921 c 506 s 25

192.17 OFFICERS MAY BE PLACED IN INACTIVE NATIONAL GUARD.

Officers may, upon their own application, be placed in the inactive national guard as may be authorized by federal law.

History: (2419) 1921 c 506 s 25

192.18 RETIREMENT.

Subdivision 1. Whenever the federal recognition of an officer or warrant officer of the national guard is withdrawn, that officer's commission in the Minnesota national guard shall be terminated, except that any officer or warrant officer who shall have served in the Minnesota national guard for a period of not less than 20 years and any officer or warrant officer who becomes disabled in line of duty while in the service of the state or of the United States and is thereby made incapable of performing military duties may, upon application therefor, be placed in a retired status and that officer's name shall be placed on a roll in the office of the adjutant general to be known as the "roll of retired officers."

Subd. 2. Any enlisted member who completes not less than 20 years of service in the national guard and is honorably discharged and any enlisted member of the Minnesota national guard who becomes disabled in the line of duty while in the service of the state or of the United States and is thereby made incapable of performing military duties may, upon application therefor, be placed in retired status and that enlisted member's name shall be placed on a roll in the office of the adjutant general to be known as the "roll of retired enlisted members."

Subd. 3. Officers, warrant officers, or enlisted personnel in retired status shall be entitled to wear, when not in conflict with federal law, on state and other occasions of ceremony, the uniform of the rank last held by those personnel.

History: (2423) 1921 c 506 s 29; 1943 c 108 s 15; 1945 c 13 s 1; 1947 c 125 s 5; 1963 c 658 s 7; 1984 c 442 s 6; 1986 c 444

192.19 RETIRED OFFICERS MAY BE ORDERED TO ACTIVE DUTY.

The commander-in-chief may assign officers on the retired list, with their consent, to active duty in recruiting, upon courts-martial, courts of inquiry and boards, to staff duty not involving service with troops, or in charge of a military reservation left temporarily without officers. Such officers while so assigned shall receive the full pay and allowances of their grades at time of retirement.

History: (2418) 1921 c 506 s 24; 1939 c 175 s 7

192.20 BREVET RANK.

General and field officers of the national guard who have, after ten years active service, resigned or retired for physical disability or otherwise, may in the discretion of the commander-in-chief, on the recommendation of the adjutant general, be commissioned by brevet, in the next higher grade than that held by them at the time of their resignation or retirement. Brevet rank shall be considered strictly honorary and shall confer no privilege of precedence or command, nor pay any emoluments. Brevet officers may wear the uniform of their brevet grade on occasions of ceremony.

History: (2418) 1921 c 506 s 24; 1939 c 175 s 7; 1963 c 658 s 8

192.205 ENLISTMENTS.

Subdivision 1. **Period of enlistments.** Except as otherwise provided by federal law or regulation for the national guard, original enlistments in the military forces shall be for a period of three years and subsequent enlistments for periods of one or three years. The governor may by order fix shorter period of enlistment or reenlistment for any of the military forces so far as not inconsistent with federal law. In the event of an emergency wherein the governor has called out any of the military forces, the governor may by order extend for not exceeding the duration of the emergency and 60 days thereafter the period of any enlistment in the forces called out which would otherwise expire.

Subd. 2. **Form of enlistment contract.** Except as otherwise provided by federal law or regulation for the national guard, every person enlisting in the military forces shall sign an enlistment contract in the form prescribed by the adjutant general, and shall subscribe to the following oath or affirmation: "I hereby acknowledge to have

voluntarily enlisted this day of 19....., as a soldier in the for the period of three (or one) year under the conditions prescribed by law, unless sooner discharged by proper authority. And I do solemnly swear that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the United States of America and the state of Minnesota; that I will serve them honestly and faithfully against all their enemies whomsoever; and that I will obey the orders of the President of the United States and of the governor of the state of Minnesota and the officers appointed over me, according to law and the uniform code of military justice"; provided, that the words "the President of the United States and of" shall be omitted in the case of persons enlisting in forces not subject to federal service.

Subd. 3. **Organization not to be enlisted as unit.** No civil association, society, club, post, order, fraternity, fraternal organization, union, league, or other organized body shall be enlisted in the military forces as a unit.

Subd. 4. **Administration of oath.** Any officer of the Minnesota national guard or any commissioned officer of a regular or reserve component of the armed forces of the United States may administer the oath or affirmation of enlistment to a person enlisting in the Minnesota national guard.

History: 1943 c 108 s 13; 1963 c 658 s 9,10; 1982 c 481 s 1; 1986 c 444

192.21 DISCHARGES FOR ENLISTED MEMBERS.

An enlisted member discharged from service in the national guard shall receive a discharge in writing in such form and with such classification as is or shall be prescribed by federal law and in time of peace discharges may be given prior to the expiration of terms of enlistment under such regulations as the federal authorities may prescribe.

History: (2421) 1921 c 506 s 27; 1986 c 444

192.22 DISHONORABLE DISCHARGES.

A dishonorable discharge from service in the national guard shall operate as a complete expulsion from the guard, a forfeiture of all exemptions and privileges acquired through membership therein and disqualification for any military office under the state. The names of all persons dishonorably discharged shall be published in orders by the adjutant general.

History: (2422) 1921 c 506 s 28; 1943 c 108 s 14; 1963 c 658 s 11

192.23 SERVICE MEDALS.

The commander-in-chief may, by general order, provide a suitable mark of distinction for all officers and enlisted members who have served in the military forces for an aggregate period of five, ten, fifteen, and twenty years, respectively, and for like service thereafter; and medals to be awarded for valor, for distinguished service, and for good conduct. The commander-in-chief may authorize and prescribe regulations for the issuance of suitable marks of distinction to be awarded to officers and enlisted members who have served in the military forces of the state during periods of war or other declared emergencies, provided that these shall not be awarded for service for which service medals or bars are authorized by federal authority.

History: (2423) 1921 c 506 s 29; 1943 c 108 s 15; 1947 c 125 s 6; 1986 c 444

192.24 [Repealed, 1977 c 286 s 21]

192.25 EXEMPTION FROM PROCESS.

No member of the guard shall be arrested, or served with any summons, order, warrant or other civil process after having been ordered to any duty or while going to, attending or returning from any place to which the member is required to go for military duty; but nothing herein shall prevent an arrest by order of a military officer or for a felony or breach of the peace committed while not in the actual performance of assigned duties. The articles of equipment personally owned by such members shall be exempt from seizure or sale for debt.

History: (2424) 1921 c 506 s 30; 1986 c 444

192.26 STATE AND MUNICIPAL OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES NOT TO LOSE PAY WHILE ON MILITARY DUTY.

Subdivision 1. Subject to the conditions hereinafter prescribed, any officer or employee of the state or of any political subdivision, municipal corporation, or other public agency of the state who shall be a member of the national guard, or any other component of the militia of the state now or hereafter organized or constituted under state or federal law, or who shall be a member of the officers' reserve corps, the enlisted reserve corps, the naval reserve, the marine corps reserve, or any other reserve component of the military or naval forces of the United States now or hereafter organized or constituted under federal law, shall be entitled to leave of absence from the public office or employment without loss of pay, seniority status, efficiency rating, vacation, sick leave, or other benefits for all the time when engaged with such organization or component in training or active service ordered or authorized by proper authority pursuant to law, whether for state or federal purposes, but not exceeding a total of 15 days in any calendar year. Such leave shall be allowed only in case the required military or naval service is satisfactorily performed, which shall be presumed unless the contrary is established. Such leave shall not be allowed unless the officer or employee (1) returns to the public position immediately on being relieved from such military or naval service and not later than the expiration of the time herein limited for such leave, or (2) is prevented from so returning by physical or mental disability or other cause not due to the officer's or employee's own fault, or (3) is required by proper authority to continue in such military or naval service beyond the time herein limited for such leave.

Subd. 2. [Repealed, 1963 c 658 s 20]

History: (2425) 1921 c 506 s 31; 1939 c 175 s 8; 1941 c 120 s 1; 1977 c 11 s 4; 1986 c 444

192.261 LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Subdivision 1. **Leave of absence without pay.** Subject to the conditions hereinafter prescribed, any officer or employee of the state or of any political subdivision, municipal corporation, or other public agency of the state who engages in active service in time of war or other emergency declared by proper authority in any of the military or naval forces of the state or of the United States for which leave is not otherwise allowed by law shall be entitled to leave of absence from the officer's or employee's public office or employment without pay during such service, with right of reinstatement as hereinafter provided. Such leave of absence without pay, whether heretofore or hereafter, shall not extend beyond four years plus such additional time in each case as such an officer or employee may be required to serve pursuant to law. This shall not be construed to preclude the allowance of leave with pay for such service to any person entitled thereto under section 192.26. Nothing in this section contained shall affect any of the provisions or application of section 352.27 nor of section 192.26 to 192.264, or any laws amendatory thereof, insofar as such sections pertain to the state employees retirement association or its members.

Subd. 2. **Reinstatement.** Except as otherwise hereinafter provided, upon the completion of such service such officer or employee shall be reinstated in the public position, which was held at the time of entry into such service, or a public position of like seniority, status, and pay if such is available at the same salary which the officer or employee would have received if the leave had not been taken, upon the following conditions: (1) that the position has not been abolished or that the term thereof, if limited, has not expired; (2) that the officer or employee is not physically or mentally disabled from performing the duties of such position; (3) that the officer or employee makes written application for reinstatement to the appointing authority within 90 days after termination of such service, or 90 days after discharge from hospitalization or medical treatment which immediately follows the termination of, and results from, such service; provided such application shall be made within one year and 90 days after termination of such service notwithstanding such hospitalization or medical treatment; (4) that the officer or employee submits an honorable discharge or other form of release

by proper authority indicating that the officer's or employee's military or naval service was satisfactory. Upon such reinstatement the officer or employee shall have the same rights with respect to accrued and future seniority status, efficiency rating, vacation, sick leave, and other benefits as if that officer or employee had been actually employed during the time of such leave. No officer or employee so reinstated shall be removed or discharged within one year thereafter except for cause, after notice and hearing; but this shall not operate to extend a term of service limited by law.

Subd. 3. Shall file certificate. Any public officer elected or appointed for a definite term who, before the expiration of such term, returns from military or naval service under leave of absence without pay under chapters 190 to 194, in lieu of making written application for reinstatement as hereinbefore provided, shall file in the same office where the public officer's oath is filed within 45 days after termination of such military or naval service a verified certificate that the public officer has complied with the conditions for reinstatement hereinbefore prescribed, and that public officer shall thereupon be deemed to have resumed that office, with all the rights and privileges granted by chapters 190 to 194; provided, that any false statement in such certificate shall be ground for removal.

Subd. 4. Persons engaged in active service not disqualified for being candidate for public office. No person who is engaged in active service in any of the military or naval forces of the state or of the United States within or without the state shall thereby be disqualified from being a candidate for or from being elected or appointed to any public office within the state if that person is otherwise eligible therefor. A person who is elected or appointed to any such office who at the commencement of the term thereof is engaged in any such active military or naval service shall not thereby be disqualified from assuming and holding such office if otherwise eligible therefor and if that person's military or naval service is not constitutionally or legally incompatible therewith. Such person, if prevented by military or naval duties from taking office in person, may file an oath of office, and a bond, if required, by mail or other means of transmittal, and shall thereupon be deemed to have assumed office, subject to all the provisions of sections 192.26 to 192.264, so far as applicable.

Subd. 5. Active duty for training, inactive duty training; reemployment rights. (a) Any public officer or employee who is a member of the military forces who is ordered to an initial period of active duty for training of not less than three consecutive months shall, upon application for reemployment within 31 days after that member's (1) release from that active duty for training after satisfactory service, or (2) discharge from hospitalization incident to that active duty for training, or one year after a scheduled release from that training, whichever is earlier, be entitled to all reemployment rights and benefits provided by this section. Any person restored to a position in accordance with the provisions of this clause shall not be discharged from the position without cause within six months after that restoration.

(b) Any public officer or employee not covered by section 192.26, or by clause (a) of this subdivision shall, upon request, be granted a leave of absence from public employment for the period required to perform active duty for training or inactive duty training in the military forces. Upon release from a period of active duty for training or inactive duty training, or upon discharge from hospitalization incident to that training, the officer or employee shall be permitted to return to the previously held position with the same seniority, status, rate of pay, and vacation as if the officer or employee had not been absent for those purposes. The officer or employee shall report for work at the beginning of the next regularly scheduled working period after expiration of the last calendar day necessary to travel from the place of training to the place of employment following release from active duty, or within a reasonable time thereafter if delayed return is due to factors beyond the employee's control. Failure to report for work at the next regularly scheduled working period shall make the employee subject to the conduct rules of the employer pertaining to explanations and discipline with respect to absence from scheduled work. If that employee is hospitalized incident to active duty for training or inactive duty training, that employee shall be required to

report for work (1) at the beginning of the next regularly scheduled work period after expiration of the time necessary to travel from the place of discharge from hospitalization to the place of employment, (2) within a reasonable time thereafter if delayed return is due to factors beyond the employee's control, or (3) within one year after the release from active duty for training or inactive duty training, whichever is earlier. If an employee covered by this clause is not qualified to perform the position's duties by reason of disability sustained during active duty for training or inactive duty training, but is qualified to perform the duties of any other position in the employ of the employer or a successor in interest, that employee shall be restored by that employer or a successor in interest to another position, the duties of which that employee is qualified to perform and which will provide like seniority, status, and pay, or the nearest approximation thereof consistent with the circumstances in the particular case. For the purpose of this paragraph, the terms "active duty for training" and "inactive duty for training" shall have the meanings subscribed to them by the United States Code Annotated, title 38, part III, chapter 43, sections 2021 to 2026.

(c) Any employee not covered by clause (a) shall be considered as having been on leave of absence during the period required to report for the purpose of being inducted into, entering or determining by a preinduction or other examination the employee's physical fitness to enter the military forces. If rejected, upon completion of the preinduction or other examination, or upon discharge from hospitalization incident to that rejection or examination, the employee shall be permitted to return to the employee's position in accordance with the provisions of clause (b).

Subd. 6. **State emergencies; reemployment rights of nonpublic employees.** A person who engages in active service in the military forces in time of emergency declared by the proper authority of the state who is not an officer or employee of the state or of any political subdivision, municipal corporation, or other public agency of the state is entitled to leave and reinstatement in the same manner and to the same extent as granted to officers and employees of the state or of any political subdivision, municipal corporation, or other public agency of the state by subdivisions 1 to 4. The provisions of this subdivision shall not entitle a person given leave and reinstatement rights by this subdivision to any pay during such service as provided by section 192.26. The provisions of this subdivision do not apply to situations in which the person's reemployment rights are protected by United States Code Annotated, appendix 50, section 459(g) of the Selective Service Act of 1967.

History: 1941 c 120 s 2; 1945 c 489 s 1; 1963 c 658 s 12-14; 1971 c 202 s 4,5; 1978 c 478 s 5; 1986 c 444

192.262 OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES TO PRESERVE PENSION AND RETIREMENT RIGHTS.

Any public officer or employee receiving leave of absence under sections 192.26 to 192.264 and having rights in any state, municipal, or other public pension, retirement, or relief system shall retain all such rights accrued up to the time of taking such leave, and shall have all rights subsequently accruing under such system as if actually employed during the time of such leave; provided, that so far as any increase in the amount of money benefits accruing with respect to the time of such leave is dependent upon the payment of any contributions or assessments, the right to such increase shall be conditioned upon the payment of such contributions or assessments within such reasonable time after the termination of such leave and upon such terms as the authorities in charge of such system may prescribe.

History: 1941 c 120 s 3; 1986 c 444

192.263 VACANCIES TO BE FILLED TEMPORARILY.

In any case where a public officer or employee is absent with leave under the provisions of sections 192.26 to 192.264 and where it is necessary in the public interest to provide for the performance of the duties of the position during such absence, the authority having power to fill a vacancy in the position may appoint a substitute, to be

known as acting incumbent, who shall qualify as required for the regular incumbent, shall receive the same compensation as fixed by law, otherwise such compensation as may be fixed by proper authority, and shall have all the powers and perform all the duties of the position until the return of the regular incumbent; provided, that this shall not preclude the making of any other provision for the discharge of the duties of the position which may be otherwise authorized by law.

History: 1941 c 120 s 4; 1986 c 444

192.264 SUPPLEMENTARY.

The rights and privileges granted by sections 192.26 to 192.264 shall be supplementary to and not exclusive of any other rights or privileges conferred by law on public officers or employees, but shall not obtain in any case where the military or naval service is constitutionally or legally incompatible with the public office or employment.

History: 1941 c 120 s 5

192.265 [Repealed, 1963 c 658 s 20]

192.27 NOT LIABLE FOR ACTS PERFORMED UNDER ORDERS.

The commanding officer of any of the military forces engaged in the suppression of an insurrection, the dispersion of a mob or the enforcement of the laws shall exercise discretion as to the propriety of firing upon or otherwise attacking any mob or other unlawful assembly; and, if that officer exercises honest judgment thereon, the officer shall not be liable in either a civil or criminal action for any act done while on such duty. No officer or enlisted member shall be held liable in either a civil or a criminal action, for any act done under lawful orders and in the performance of duty.

History: (2426) 1921 c 506 s 32; 1986 c 444

192.28 PROHIBITING THE FIRING OF BLANK CARTRIDGES UPON ANY UNLAWFUL ASSEMBLAGE.

No officer in charge of personnel, under any pretense or in compliance with any order, shall direct or permit them to fire blank cartridges upon any mob or unlawful assemblage, under penalty of dishonorable dismissal from the service.

History: (2426) 1921 c 506 s 32; 1986 c 444

192.29 GOVERNOR TO APPOINT COUNSEL.

If a suit or proceeding shall be commenced in any court by any person against any officer of the military forces for any act done by such officer in an official capacity in the discharge of any duty under the Military Code, or against any soldier acting under the authority or order of any such officer, or by virtue of any warrant, issued by that officer pursuant to law, it shall be the duty of the governor, upon the recommendation of the attorney general, to appoint counsel to defend such person. The costs and expenses of any such defense shall be paid out of the appropriation for the maintenance of the national guard.

History: (2427) 1921 c 506 s 33; 1986 c 444

192.30 SECURITY FOR COSTS.

Any person bringing an action or proceeding against a military officer of the state for any act done in the course of official duty, or against any person acting under the order or authority of such officer, shall give security for the costs, disbursements and reasonable attorney's fees incurred by the state or defendant in defending the same, in the same manner and subject to the same rules, so far as applicable, as in the case of a nonresident plaintiff. And if the plaintiff fails to recover, such attorney's fees may be taxed with the costs and disbursements and judgment therefor be entered against the plaintiff and the sureties on the bond.

History: (2428) 1921 c 506 s 34; 1985 c 248 s 70; 1986 c 444

192.31 MILITARY FORCES NOT TO BE RESTRICTED BY TRAFFIC REGULATIONS.

The military forces of the United States and of the state, while on any authorized duty, shall not be restricted by state or municipal traffic regulations when under military or civil traffic control personnel, and shall have the right-of-way on any street or highway through which they may pass against all except carriers of the United States mail, fire engines, police vehicles, and emergency service vehicles.

History: (2452) 1921 c 506 s 58; 1927 c 339 s 10; 1943 c 108 s 22; 1971 c 202 s 6

192.32 DISCRIMINATION IN PUBLIC ACCOMMODATIONS OR PUBLIC SERVICES.

It shall be unlawful for any person to discriminate against any member of the military forces of the United States, of this state or of any other state because of membership therein or the wearing of a military uniform with respect to access or admission to, full utilization of or benefit from any public accommodation or public service as said terms are defined in chapter 363. Any person violating any of the provisions of this section shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor.

History: (4390) 1911 c 261 s 1; 1978 c 478 s 6

192.33 ACTION FOR DAMAGES.

Any person injured as a result of a violation of section 192.32 may bring an action to recover actual damages, costs, and, in addition thereto, exemplary damages.

History: (4391, 4392) 1911 c 261 s 2,3; 1978 c 478 s 7; 1986 c 444

192.34 DISCRIMINATION WITH RESPECT TO EMPLOYMENT.

It shall be unlawful for any employer to discharge any person from employment because of membership in the military or naval forces of the United States, of this state, or any other state, or to hinder or prevent any person from performing any military service that person may be called upon to perform by proper authority, or to dissuade any person from enlistment in the military service by threat or injury, in case that person shall so enlist, in respect to that person's employment, trade or business. Any person violating any of the provisions of this section shall be deemed guilty of a gross misdemeanor.

History: (2429) 1921 c 506 s 35; 1978 c 478 s 8; 1986 c 444

192.35 INTERFERENCE WITH PERFORMANCE OF MILITARY DUTIES.

Any person who interrupts, molests, or insults by abusive words or behavior, or obstructs any officer or soldier of the national guard while on duty, either parade, drill meeting for military improvement or other military duty may be immediately put and kept under guard until the duty is concluded, by the officer in command. Such officer may turn the person over to any peace officer of the city or place where such drill parade or meeting is being held and such peace officer shall thereupon deliver such offender for examination and trial before any court having jurisdiction. Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

History: (2451) 1921 c 506 s 57; 1986 c 444

192.351 INTERFERENCE WITH PERFORMANCE OF MILITARY DUTIES WHILE IN ACTIVE SERVICE.

Any person who intentionally obstructs, hinders, or prevents any officer or soldier of the national guard from performing duties while on active service may be arrested by an officer or soldier present. Such officer or soldier shall turn the person over to any peace officer of the city or place in which such active service is taking place and such peace officer may thereupon deliver such offender for examination and trial before any court having jurisdiction. Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a gross misdemeanor.

History: 1971 c 202 s 7; 1986 c 444

192.36 CERTAIN ACTS FELONIES.

Any officer or member who refuses to account for and to surrender up any money or any uniforms or equipment or other military property for which the officer or member is responsible or accountable, or who shall appropriate the same to personal use, or who shall knowingly make a false payroll or sign a false certificate which is the basis for the payment of money under the military code, or who shall aid or abet another in any of these acts, shall be guilty of a felony and punished as the criminal laws of the state may direct.

History: (2461) 1921 c 506 s 67; 1986 c 444

192.37 DISPOSING OF PROPERTY.

Every person, whether a member of the military forces or not, who shall willfully sell or dispose of or buy or receive any arms, equipment or accoutrements issued by the United States or the state for the use of the military forces, or refuses to deliver or pay for the same upon lawful demand, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

History: (2470) 1921 c 506 s 76

192.38 ILLNESS, INJURY, OR DEATH OF MEMBER OF MILITARY FORCES; COMPENSATION.

Subdivision 1. **Temporary emergency relief.** If any officer or enlisted member of the military forces is wounded or otherwise disabled, dies from disease contracted or injuries received, or is killed while in state active service as defined in section 190.05, subdivision 5a, the officer or member, or in the case of death the officer's or member's dependent spouse, child, or parent, may be provided with immediate temporary relief as necessary in cases of severe hardship, in an amount to be determined by the adjutant general and approved by the governor. All payments under this subdivision shall be made from appropriations for the maintenance of the state military forces. The adjutant general shall notify the workers' compensation commission of any payments made pursuant to this subdivision and the amount of it shall be subtracted from any award made by the commission.

Subd. 2. **Assistance to claimants.** To the extent information is available, the adjutant general shall provide information to a person seeking a benefit from the state or federal government or instituting a claim before a legislative commission on claims or federal claims commission arising from loss, damage, or destruction of property or for injury or death incurred or sustained by a member of the military forces.

History: (2430) 1921 c 506 s 36; 1927 c 339 s 6; 1965 c 140 s 2; 1975 c 271 s 6; 1976 c 331 s 39; 1983 c 193 s 7; 1986 c 444

192.381 ADJUTANT GENERAL TO FURNISH AN AMERICAN FLAG.

Upon the death of any person who has honorably served six or more years in the Minnesota national guard and upon request of the person designated to direct disposition of the remains, the adjutant general shall furnish an American flag if a flag is not furnished by the United States government.

History: 1981 c 336 s 1

192.39 [Repealed, 1965 c 140 s 3]**192.40 GOVERNOR TO APPOINT UNITED STATES PROPERTY AND DISBURSING OFFICER.**

The governor, pursuant to federal authority, shall appoint, designate, or detail subject to the approval of the secretary of defense, the adjutant general, or an officer of the national guard who shall be regarded as property and disbursing officer for the United States. The officer appointed shall receipt and account for all funds and property belonging to the United States in possession of the national guard of this state and shall make such returns and reports concerning the same as may be required by

the secretary of defense. The officer appointed shall render, through the defense department, such accounts of federal funds entrusted to that officer for disbursement as may be required by the treasury department.

The property and disbursing officer shall, before entering upon the performance of duties, be required to give good and sufficient bond to the United States, the amount thereof to be determined by the secretary of defense, for the faithful performance of assigned duties and for the safekeeping and proper disposition of the federal property and funds entrusted to the care of that officer.

This property and disbursing officer may also be the quartermaster of the state.

History: (2442) 1921 c 506 s 48; 1976 c 2 s 133; 1986 c 444

192.41 STATE QUARTERMASTER AND PROPERTY OFFICER.

The state quartermaster shall be the property officer of the state and as such shall have charge of and be accountable for, under the adjutant general, all the state military property and shall make such property returns and reports on the same as the governor may direct. The quartermaster shall be under bond to the state to such amount as the governor may deem necessary.

History: (2443) 1921 c 506 s 49; 1927 c 339 s 8; 1963 c 658 s 15; 1986 c 444

192.42 ARMS AND UNIFORMS.

The national guard shall be uniformed, armed and equipped as provided by federal law. Such uniforms, arms and equipment shall be procured and issued by the proper officers as the needs of the service may require and shall be accounted for as the regulations may prescribe.

History: (2436) 1921 c 506 s 42

192.43 DISTRIBUTION OF EQUIPMENT.

Subdivision 1. The commanding officer of a company receiving clothing or equipment for the use of the command shall distribute the same to the members of the command, taking receipts and requiring the return of each article at such time and place as the commanding officer shall direct.

Subd. 2. Legal fines or forfeitures and the value of any articles of uniform, arms or equipment, whether state or federal, issued to any officer or enlisted member which is not returned on demand by proper authority and for the loss of or damage to which the officer or member has been held responsible by a report of survey or other proper proceeding, shall be deducted from such officer's or enlisted member's pay in the manner provided for in federal or state orders or regulations. Deduction from federal pay and allowances may only be made in the manner prescribed by federal law or regulation.

History: (2438) 1921 c 506 s 44; 1947 c 125 s 9; 1986 c 444

192.435 UNIFORM RETAINED, WHEN.

Subdivision 1. **Authorization to adjutant general.** The adjutant general is authorized to permit members of the state guard and its auxiliaries who have served a term of enlistment of two years or more, and at the conclusion of such service, to retain the articles of the uniform normally issued to such personnel. Such articles of the uniform shall not include field equipment, arms, or ammunition. The adjutant general may sell to personnel of the state guard at cost price, less fair wear and tear, such arms and ammunition as is not required for other purposes.

Subd. 2. **Adjutant general to be relieved of responsibility.** When such articles of the uniform and items of equipment and arms have been so issued or sold, as the case may be, the adjutant general shall stand relieved of further accountability and responsibility in connection therewith and such articles and items shall be dropped from the stock record account of the state quartermaster.

History: 1943 c 244 s 1,2; 1963 c 658 s 16; 1986 c 444

192.44 DISCIPLINE.

The discipline (which includes training) of the national guard shall conform to the system which is now or may hereafter be prescribed by the Congress of the United States.

History: (2445) 1921 c 506 s 51

192.45 TRAINING, ASSEMBLY FOR.

Each organization shall assemble for drill and instruction, including indoor target practice, and shall participate in encampments, maneuvers, and other exercises, including outdoor target practice, at such times and places and for such periods as may be prescribed by the governor in accordance with the requirements of the state or federal law.

History: (2446) 1921 c 506 s 52; 1943 c 108 s 18

192.46 RIFLE PRACTICE; COMPETITIONS.

The governor may establish special camps for advanced instructions in rifle and gun practice to be attended by officers and members who have attained a prescribed standard of marksmanship and who are selected for the purpose under suitable rules. From the participants who develop unusual proficiency therein, rifle and gun teams may be formed, which, with the approval of the adjutant general, may compete with like teams in national, interstate or state competitions under rules approved by the adjutant general. The pay and allowance of officers while attending such practice or competition shall be at the rate prescribed for active service. In order to make it possible for enlisted members of the national guard to attend interstate and national rifle competitions, the adjutant general may pay to such enlisted members detailed as members of any such team the same pay as is allowed for second lieutenants of the national guard for duty at encampments. No more than \$5,000 shall be expended in any one year for all the purposes of this section.

History: (2447) 1921 c 506 s 53; 1943 c 108 s 19; 1986 c 444

192.47 ENCAMPMENTS, DRILLS.

The commander-in-chief may order the military forces or any part thereof into camp each year for such period as the commander-in-chief may direct, and shall also provide for their participation in encampments or field maneuvers at such places as may be designated by the federal government pursuant to any act of Congress. The commander-in-chief may order such organization as the commander-in-chief may deem proper, to parade for purposes of drill, review, or escort duty and prescribe all regulations and requirements therefor.

History: (2448) 1921 c 506 s 54; 1943 c 108 s 20; 1986 c 444

192.48 [Repealed, 1971 c 202 s 11]**192.49 PAY AND ALLOWANCES OF OFFICERS AND ORGANIZATIONS.**

Subdivision 1. **Officers.** Every commissioned officer of the military forces shall receive from the state, while engaged in any service ordered by the governor, pay and allowances at the rate now or hereafter paid or allowed by law to officers of similar rank and length of service in the armed forces of the United States.

Subd. 2. **Uniforms to be supplied.** When expedient, the adjutant general may issue to commissioned officers from time to time any available articles of uniform and equipment suitable for field work. Articles so issued shall be charged to the officer and that officer shall account for them as provided in rules.

Subd. 3. **Allowances for military expense.** Allowances for the necessary military expenses of all organizations, units, or detachments of the military forces, including clerk hire, office supplies, postage, and other actual outlay, shall be paid by the adjutant

general out of the funds appropriated for the maintenance of the military forces, such allowances annually not to exceed for the state headquarters and for the division headquarters when located in this state \$2,000 each; \$3,000 a year for the commanding general of troops; for any other organization commanded by a general officer \$1,000 plus \$100 for each immediately and directly subordinate organization or unit; for any brigade, group, battalion, squadron, or equivalent organization \$200 plus \$100 for each immediately and directly subordinate organization or unit; and \$300 for incidental expenses of each company, battery, or detachment; and at the time of the annual encampment or maneuvers, for each division or camp headquarters mess \$200; for each officers' mess of a regiment, group, or higher headquarters \$200; and for the officers' mess of each battalion or equivalent headquarters \$100. Allowances authorized under this section shall be expended and accounted for as prescribed by the commander-in-chief in orders or rules.

History: (2454) 1921 c 506 s 60; 1939 c 175 s 10; 1943 c 108 s 24; 1947 c 125 s 7; 1963 c 658 s 17.18; 1965 c 114 s 1; 1985 c 248 s 70; 1986 c 444

192.50 [Repealed, 1947 c 125 s 22]

192.51 PAY FOR ENLISTED MEMBERS.

Subdivision 1. [Repealed, 1978 c 532 s 2]

Subd. 2. **Active duty pay.** When called into active service by the governor, other than for encampment or maneuvers, including the time necessarily consumed in travel, each enlisted person of the military forces shall be paid by the state the pay and the allowances, when not furnished in kind, provided by law for enlisted persons of similar grade, rating and length of service in the armed forces of the United States, or \$65 a day, whichever is more.

History: (2456) 1921 c 506 s 62; 1943 c 108 s 26; 1947 c 125 s 8; 1949 c 459 s 1; 1963 c 658 s 19; 1965 c 114 s 2; 1971 c 633 s 1; 1978 c 532 s 1; 1982 c 409 s 1; 1Sp1985 c 13 s 297; 1986 c 444

192.52 EXPENSES OF MILITARY FORCES ORDERED TO ACTIVE DUTY.

In all cases where any of the military forces are called into active service by the governor and where no funds otherwise appropriated are available therefor, or where the appropriated funds, if any, are insufficient, the pay rolls of officers and enlisted members and expense bills shall be audited by the commissioner of finance, the commissioner of administration and the adjutant general, and paid upon their certificate out of the general fund, and the necessary sums are hereby appropriated. No payment shall be made pursuant to this section until the commissioner of finance has reported the amount of the proposed payment to the committee on finance of the senate and the committee on appropriations of the house of representatives.

History: (2453) 1921 c 506 s 59; 1943 c 108 s 23; 1969 c 399 s 49; 1973 c 492 s 14; 1977 c 403 s 7; 1986 c 444

192.53 [Repealed, 1947 c 125 s 22]

192.54 TRANSPORTATION HIRE AND EXPENSE.

The hire and expense of means of transportation required for the military forces when in active service, including camps of instruction, practice marches, parades, maneuvers, and other authorized purposes, when ordered by the governor as commander-in-chief, shall be paid by the adjutant general out of the funds appropriated for the maintenance of the military forces.

History: (2458) 1921 c 506 s 64; 1943 c 108 s 27; 1971 c 202 s 8

192.55 PAYMENTS TO BE MADE THROUGH ADJUTANT GENERAL.

All pay and allowances and necessary expenses for any of the military forces shall,

when approved by the adjutant general, be paid by commissioner of finance's warrants issued to the several officers and enlisted members entitled thereto; provided, that upon the request of the adjutant general, approved by the governor, the sum required for any such pay or allowances and necessary expenses shall be paid by commissioner of finance's warrant to the adjutant general, who shall immediately pay and distribute the same to the several officers or enlisted members entitled thereto or to their commanding officers or to a finance officer designated by the adjutant general. The receipt of any such commanding officer or finance officer for any such payment shall discharge the adjutant general from liability therefor. Every commanding officer or finance officer receiving any such payment shall, as soon as practicable, pay and distribute the same to the several officers or enlisted members entitled thereto. The officer making final payment shall, as evidence thereof, secure the signature of the person receiving the same upon a payroll or other proper voucher.

History: (2459) 1921 c 506 s 65; 1943 c 108 s 28; 1949 c 459 s 5; 1973 c 492 s 14; 1986 c 444

192.551 ARMY REGULATIONS TO APPLY.

All money and property received from any source for the military forces shall be kept, disbursed, and accounted for as prescribed by army regulations, where applicable, otherwise as prescribed by state rules. All such accounts shall be examined and audited at least once annually by officers of the military forces detailed by the adjutant general as military auditors. The adjutant general shall file a copy of the report of every such examination with the legislative auditor. This shall not preclude other examinations of such accounts by the legislative auditor as authorized by law. The legislative auditor may appoint any military auditor as an assistant examiner, with all the powers incident thereto, in connection with the examination of such accounts. The provisions of the state civil service act shall not be applicable to such appointments.

• **History:** 1943 c 108 s 29; 1973 c 492 s 14; 1977 c 347 s 32; 1985 c 248 s 70

192.56 [Repealed, 1971 c 202 s 11]

192.57 [Repealed, 1971 c 202 s 11]

192.58 [Repealed, 1971 c 202 s 11]

MILITARY COURTS

192.59 [Repealed, 1963 c 661 s 192A.67]

192.60 [Repealed, 1963 c 661 s 192A.67]

192.61 FORMS, PRACTICE, PROCEDURE.

The forms, practice, and procedure of courts of inquiry and courts-martial shall conform to the procedure of similar courts in the armed forces of the United States except when it is expressly provided otherwise by chapter 192A.

History: (2464) 1921 c 506 s 70; 1963 c 550 s 2; 1971 c 202 s 9

192.62 [Repealed, 1963 c 661 s 192A.67]

192.63 [Repealed, 1963 c 661 s 192A.67]

192.64 [Repealed, 1963 c 661 s 192A.67]

192.65 [Repealed, 1963 c 661 s 192A.67]

192.66 DESERTION.

Desertion in the military forces shall be as defined in the Minnesota code of military justice. But if any enlisted member is known to have removed from the state, and, through ignorance or neglect, has failed to apply for discharge, a discharge may be requested by that enlisted member's immediate commanding officer. †

History: (2469) 1921 c 506 s 75; 1963 c 550 s 3; 1986 c 444

192.67 OFFENDERS; TRANSFER TO CIVIL AUTHORITIES.

When any felony is committed by any officer or enlisted member of the military forces while on duty status other than active state duty, the officer or enlisted member shall be turned over by superior officers to the proper civil authorities of the county or municipality in which the offense occurred for punishment for such crime, but such trial and punishment by the civil authorities shall not preclude trial and additional punishment or dismissal from the service by court-martial for any military offense resulting from the commission of said crime.

History: (2471) 1921 c 506 s 77; 1963 c 550 s 4; 1986 c 444

192.68 COURTS, COMPENSATION; DISPOSITION OF FINES.

Subdivision 1. Members of general and special courts-martial and courts of inquiry shall be allowed transportation in kind, and per diem pay as per military grade for time actually employed in the duties assigned them. Transportation in kind shall be furnished to all prosecutors, prisoners, witnesses, sheriffs, and constables, to and from the place or places designated for meetings of these courts. The per diem pay of military and civilian witnesses shall be the same as in civil courts of law, and be paid by the adjutant general out of the appropriation for the maintenance of the national guard.

Subd. 2. The proceeds of all fines in summary, general, and special court-martial cases shall be paid to the adjutant general and paid into the maintenance fund of the national guard, and all costs of prosecution shall be paid out of the same fund.

Subd. 3. Civil officers and national guard members executing the warrants or process of a military court shall receive as compensation therefor the fees allowed by law for like service in the civil courts, which fees are to be taxed by such court and, in summary cases, paid out of the military fund of the company of which the accused is a member. All fees and expenses of trial in general and special courts-martial cases and the fees of jailors in all cases for the keep of prisoners shall be paid by the adjutant general out of the funds appropriated for the maintenance of the national guard. No fees shall be allowed or paid to such officers unless an itemized statement thereof is endorsed on and forthwith returned with such warrant or process to the court issuing the same.

History: (2472) 1921 c 506 s 78; 1963 c 550 s 5; 1986 c 444

192.69 [Repealed, 1963 c 661 s 192A.67]

192.70 [Repealed, 1963 c 661 s 192A.67]

192.71 [Repealed, 1963 c 661 s 192A.67]

192.72 [Repealed, 1963 c 550 s 6]

192.73 [Repealed, 1963 c 661 s 192A.67]

192.74 [Repealed, 1963 c 661 s 192A.67]

192.75 [Repealed, 1963 c 661 s 192A.67]

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192.78 [Repealed, 1963 c 661 s 192A.67]

192.79 [Repealed, 1963 c 661 s 192A.67]

192.80 [Repealed, 1963 c 661 s 192A.67]

192.81 [Repealed, 1963 c 661 s 192A.67]

192.82 OFFENDERS MAY BE COMMITTED TO JAIL.

In default of payments of any fine, forfeiture, or costs, imposed by any military court after approval of sentence by the reviewing authority, the offender shall be committed to any county jail designated by the court for a period equal to one day for each dollar of fine imposed and unpaid.

History: (2487) 1921 c 506 s 93

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192.83 [Repealed, 1963 c 661 s 192A.67]

192.84 [Repealed, 1963 c 661 s 192A.67]

192.85 CIVIL OFFICERS SHALL BE GUILTY OF MISDEMEANORS FOR REFUSAL TO ACT.

Any sheriff, constable, jailer, marshal or other civil officer named in the military code, who shall neglect or refuse to obey, execute or return the lawful warrant or other process of a military court, or make a false return thereon, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and in addition to the penalties attaching thereto, shall forfeit \$50 for each offense or neglect of duty, the same to be recovered in civil action against such officer and the official sureties by the adjutant general for the benefit of the maintenance fund of the national guard.

History: (2490) 1921 c 506 s 96; 1986 c 444

192.86 [Repealed, 1963 c 550 s 6]

192.87 [Repealed, 1963 c 661 s 192A.67]