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## CHAPTER 439.

AN ACT to amend section 616, chapter 34, of the revised statutes, relating to clerk hire, stationery, etc., for the governor's staff, and their pay; and section 610, of chapter 34, of the revised statutes, relating to organizations of battalions and regiments, and the acts amendatory thereof; and to provide for the greater efficiency of the Wisconsin National Guard.

*The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:*

Clerical help  
authorized

SECTION 1. Section 616, of chapter 34, of the revised statutes, is hereby amended, so as to read as follows: Section 616. The governor, and the adjutant general, and the quarter-master general, with the governor's approval, may employ such clerks in their offices, and shall be furnished with such blanks and blank books as may be necessary to the proper despatch of their duties under this chapter. The governor may, by orders, duplicates of which, issued by him, shall be filed with the secretary of state, fix the pay of the adjutant general and the quarter-master general, and the pay of any member of his staff, or other officers, for any special service under orders, and the pay of all such clerks. The pay of such officers and clerks, and their actual and necessary expenses when on any special duty, under the orders of the governor, shall be paid out of the state treasury.

Power of the  
governor to  
order into  
camp.

SECTION 2. So much of section 640, chapter 34, of the revised statutes, as amended by section 2, chapter 185, of the laws of 1880, and section 2, of chapter 162, of the laws of 1882, as relates to encampments of the Wisconsin National Guard, is hereby amended so as to read as follows: The governor may order the regiments, battalions or separate companies into encampments, for military instruction, not to exceed six days in any year, and may fix the place for such encampment. Regiments, battalions or companies, when so ordered into encampment, shall be furnished by the state with transportation, tents and camp

equipment, and such other reasonable and necessary provision for the proper care and preservation of the health of the men so ordered into camp as may be ordered by the governor, and an allowance for subsistence and other expenses not herein provided for, equal to one and one-half dollars per day, for each day's actual service in such encampment, or en route to and from the same, by each enlisted man; and the pay of an officer of equal rank in the United States army, for each commissioned officer, while on duty at such encampment, or on other service under orders of the governor, to be paid out of the state treasury, on such vouchers and proofs as the governor may require, and on his approval. The amount due on account of any company, to be paid to its commanding officer, and the amount due on account of the field, staff and non-commissioned staff, or other officers and men, if any, on duty in such encampment, under orders, to be paid to the person to whom the same shall be due. The allowances herein provided for, may be withheld by order of the governor, and applied to the payment of any damages to grounds, buildings or property, which may be caused by the fault or neglect of any officer or enlisted man in camp, or en route to or from the same.

SECTION 3. The surgeon general is hereby authorized to purchase and issue to the senior medical officer of each regiment, battalion, troop and battery, such medicine chest, medicines, and medical and surgical appliances as he may deem suitable and necessary for their use, at a cost not exceeding three hundred dollars. The cost of such chests, medicines and appliances and such additional supplies as may be purchased on the approval of the surgeon general to re-stock such medicine chests, shall be paid for out of the state treasury.

Medical chest, etc., to be purchased.

SECTION 4. The quarter-master general is hereby authorized to purchase and issue to each company, troop and battery of the Wisconsin National Guard, such an outfit for gallery rifle practice as may be prescribed by the governor, at an expense not exceeding ten dollars for each outfit, to be paid for out of the state treasury.

Outfit for rifle practice authorized.

SECTION 5. Each company, troop and battery of the Wisconsin National Guard, shall be fur-

Supplies to be furnished by the quarter-master general's department.

nished by the state through the quarter-master general's department, with a good and substantial overcoat, rubber blanket and fatigue uniform, for not exceeding fifty men in each company, troop or battery. Such overcoat and blanket to be of such pattern and material as the governor may prescribe in orders, and such fatigue uniform to be that of the United States army, with such slight modifications as may be prescribed by the governor, in order that soldiers of the Wisconsin National Guard may be distinguished when on duty with other troops; provided, that the expenditures for the purchase of the clothing herein provided for, shall not exceed the sum of nine thousand dollars per annum. Provided, further, that any company which has provided itself with such overcoats, blankets or fatigue uniforms, or such as may be approved in lieu thereof, such company shall be re-imbursed for the cost thereof in a sum not exceeding that paid by the state for similar clothing, purchased in pursuance of this act on the report of an inspecting officer that such clothing so provided, is of proper pattern and quality, and in good condition, to be paid out of the state treasury.

Quarter-master general authorized to purchase overcoats, blankets and uniforms,

SECTION 6. The quarter-master-general is hereby authorized to contract, subject to the approval of the governor, for the purchase of the overcoats, blankets and uniforms provided for in this act, and the cost thereof shall be paid out of the state treasury, together with the necessary expenses of making such purchases and distribution.

Appropriation.

SECTION 7. There is hereby appropriated out of any money in the state treasury not otherwise appropriated a sum of money sufficient to make the purchases, defray the expenses and pay the allowances authorized by this act.

SECTION 8. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.  
Approved April 11, 1885.