

**NATIONAL GUARD, ALLOWING CITIES TO MAINTAIN UNITS**  
**Act of Mar. 10, 1937, P.L. 39, No. 15**  
AN ACT

Cl. 11

Authorizing cities of the first class, second class, and second class A to make appropriations for the support, maintenance, discipline, and training of units of the National Guard; providing for the paying over expenditure and accounting for of such appropriations; and repealing existing laws.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That any city of the first class, second class, and second class A shall have power to appropriate, annually, a sum not exceeding seven hundred and fifty dollars (\$750) for the support, maintenance, discipline, and training of any dismounted company or similar unit of the National Guard, and a sum, not exceeding one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500), for the support and maintenance of any mounted or motorized troop or similar unit of the National Guard. Where such units are organized as a battalion, regiment or similar organization, the total amount appropriated may be paid to the commanding officer of the battalion, regiment or similar organization.

The moneys so appropriated shall be paid by warrant in the usual manner to the commanding officer of such company, battalion, regiment, unit or similar organization, only when it shall be certified to the controller of the city, by the Adjutant General of the Commonwealth, that the said company, battalion, regiment, unit or organization has satisfactorily passed the annual inspection provided by law.

Section 2. The moneys so appropriated shall be used and expended solely and exclusively for the support, maintenance, discipline, and training of said company, battalion, regiment, unit or similar organization. The commanding officer shall account, by proper vouchers to the city, for the expenditure of the moneys so appropriated, and no appropriation shall be made for any subsequent year until the expenditure of the previous year shall have been duly and satisfactorily accounted for.

The accounts of such expenditure shall be subject to the inspection of the Department of Military Affairs, and shall be audited by the controller of the city.

(2 amended May 10, 1951, P.L.264, No.44)

Section 3. The following acts are hereby repealed, as respectively indicated:

The act approved the twenty-fourth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven (Pamphlet Laws, one hundred eighty-two), entitled "An act to authorize the councils of the cities of the first class of the Commonwealth to appropriate annually a sum, not exceeding five hundred dollars, for the support and maintenance of each company of the National Guard using and occupying an armory, building, room or quarters within said cities, in addition to the annual appropriation by the Legislature," and its amendments, absolutely.

The act approved the eleventh day of April, one thousand

eight hundred and ninety-nine (Pamphlet Laws, forty), entitled "An act extending to cities of the second class the provisions of the act of May twenty-four, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven, Pamphlet Laws one hundred and eighty-two, which authorizes cities of the first class to appropriate annually the sum not exceeding five hundred dollars for the support and maintenance of each company of the National Guard," absolutely.

Section 28.1. Duties of Common Pleas Courts on Days of Primaries and Elections.--The court of common pleas of each county or a judge or judges thereof of any county of the Commonwealth maintaining a reinstatement system of registration shall be in continuous session at the courthouse of said county on the day of each primary and election during the period the polls are open. During such period said court shall hear and determine (1) the petition of any qualified elector who has heretofore been duly registered as an elector of said county but who, due to circumstances beyond his control, has failed to file a removal notice or reinstatement card in order to insure the inclusion of his registration card in the district register of the election district of his residence, (2) the petition of any qualified registered elector who has suffered a physical disability which renders him unable to see or mark the ballot or operate the voting machine or to enter the voting machine compartment or voting booth without assistance and, due to circumstances beyond his control, was unable to make application personally at the office of the registration commission within the time prescribed by law in order to have such fact entered on his registration card, (3) the petition of any qualified elector who is a duly discharged veteran and who, by reason of his service in the armed forces, was unable to register within the time fixed by law, and (4) the petition of any commissioner, chief clerk, registrar or clerk, setting forth that the right to vote of the particular elector has been denied by reason of an error by the registration commission.

(28.1 added Sept. 2, 1961, P.L.1205, No.530)