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An Act to amend the Militia Act.

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An Act to amend the Militia Act.

HER Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate and House of Commons of Canada, enacts as follows :—

1. Sections 41, 45 and 47 of *The Militia Act*, chapter 41 of R.S.C., c. 41, 5 the Revised Statutes, are repealed and the following are substituted therefor :— new sections 41, 45 and 47.

“41. In and for the military districts hereinbefore mentioned there shall be appointed an officer who shall command the Militia in the district or districts for which he is appointed, and who shall have the rank of Colonel or Lieutenant-Colonel. Officer commanding in district.

“2. In addition thereto, such additional staff and other officers as are necessary may be appointed. Staff and other officers.

“3. The salaries of the said officers shall be fixed by the Governor in Council. Salaries.

“4. The designation or name of office of the officer who commands the Militia in any district may be changed by the Governor in Council whenever it is expedient so to do. Change of designation.

“5. In the event of two or more districts being joined or amalgamated, only one officer to command the Militia shall be appointed for the districts so joined or amalgamated.” Amalgamated districts.

“45. Officers holding commissions as Lieutenant-Colonel in the Militia may be transferred to the retired list with honorary rank not exceeding that of Colonel, and officers now on the retired list holding commissions as Lieutenant-Colonel may be promoted to the rank of Colonel, under regulations approved by the Governor in Council, provided that the total number of officers of the rank of Colonel on the retired list shall at no time exceed fifty. Officers on retired list.

“2. Officers from the retired list may be re-appointed to the active list or such other list as is from time to time authorized ; but no officer so re-appointed shall be compelled to serve in a lower rank than that with which he retired.” Re-appointment.

“47. Under regulations approved by the Governor in Council, Her Majesty may appoint or promote officers on the active list, or such other lists as are from time to time authorized (except the retired list), to the rank of Colonel, provided that the total number so appointed or promoted shall at no time exceed twenty-five, exclusive of the officers commanding military districts. Appointment of Colonels.

“2. Officers who held the rank of Colonel on the twenty-fifth day of May, 1883, shall retain such rank.” Certain colonels to retain rank.

2. Section 59 of the said Act is amended by inserting immediately under the sub-heading *Officers* in the eighth line thereof, the following : Section 59 amended.

“Colonel..... \$6.00.”