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House File 168

January 31, 1947.
Military and Veterans Affairs.

By BURKMAN.

A BILL FOR

An Act to make an appropriation to the national guard
and the state guard.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

1 Section 1. There is hereby appropriated out of
2 the general fund of the state the sum of one hundred
3 sixteen thousand eight hundred dollars (\$116,800.00),
4 or so much thereof as may be necessary, for salaries,
5 support, maintenance, and miscellaneous expenses of the
6 national guard and the state guard of Iowa to June 30, 1947.

1 Section 2. This act being deemed of immediate
2 importance shall be in full force and effect from and
3 after publication in Plain Talk, a
4 newspaper published at Des Moines, Iowa,
5 and the Ida County Pioneer Record, a newspaper published at
6 Ida Grove, Iowa.

EXPLANATION OF H. F. 168

The following explanation of this bill is presented herewith:

At the close of the biennium, June 30, 1945, there was returned to the General Fund, from appropriations, the sum of \$49,000. This balance resulted because it was found necessary to hold field training for both regiments of the Iowa State Guard in the fiscal year 1946, instead of one regiment in the fiscal year 1945 and one in the fiscal year 1946.

Appropriations made by the Fifty-first General Assembly to this department were \$350,000 for each year of the biennium. This included estimates for State Guard field training and Camp Dodge maintenance of \$81,000 per year.

Because of increased attendance at field training, plus increased cost of transportation, the cost of the field training and Camp Dodge maintenance for the fiscal year 1945 was \$118,000. This was \$37,000 over the amount estimated.

Prior to July 1, 1946, this department applied to the interim committee for an emergency allowance in the sum of \$40,000. The interim committee loaned \$40,000 to this department and directed that this amount be paid back to the interim committee when the \$350,000 appropriated for 1947 became available. On July 1, 1946, this department had a balance to bring forward from the 1946 appropriation plus the \$40,000 loaned by the interim committee of \$20,077.53. -This amount, added to the \$350,000 appropriated, made a balance of \$370,077.53 available. From this amount the \$40,000 was repaid leaving a balance of \$330,077.53 for the fiscal year 1947.

Expenditures of the Adjutant General's Department from July 1, 1946, to December 31, 1946, were approximately \$265,000. The sums expended include the cost of the 1946 field training of the Iowa State Guard and Camp Dodge maintenance.

Due to greater attendance at field training than was anticipated at the time askings were made, plus the increased cost of subsistence, transportation and the Act of Congress raising the pay of the officers and enlisted men of the armed forces, upon which the pay of the State Guard is based, increased the cost of field training and Camp Dodge maintenance \$50,000 above the anticipated cost at the time the appropriations were made by the Fifty-first General Assembly. Actual expenditures to December 31, 1946, including armory rentals, field training and Camp Dodge maintenance, amounts to \$238,641. Other sums expended for travel, contingent, headquarters allowance, per capita allowance, clerical allowance for units, uniforms, etc., amount to \$26,296.35. The foregoing amounts make up a total of approximately \$265,000 which was expended as of December 31, 1946. If the expenditures so made are deducted from the \$330,077 available on July 1, 1946, there remains approximately \$65,000 for expenses of this department from January 1, 1947, to June 30, 1947.

Reorganization of the Iowa National Guard, in process during the past six months, requires funds that could not be anticipated at the time the appropriation for this department was made. Until the National Guard is organized to the extent that it can take over the functions of the Iowa State Guard, it will be necessary to maintain parts of both military forces.