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CHAP. 78.—An act to amend article one hundred and three of the Rules and Articles of War.

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tion.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the one hundred and third article of the Rules and Articles of War be, and the same is hereby, amended by adding thereto the following words:

“No person shall be tried or punished by a court-martial for desertion in time of peace and not in the face of an enemy, committed more than two years before the arraignment of such person for such offense, unless he shall meanwhile have absented himself from the United States, in which case the time of his absence shall be excluded in computing the period of the limitation: *Provided,* That said limitation shall not begin until the end of the term for which said person was mustered into the service.”

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CHAP. 79.—An act making an appropriation to supply the deficiency occasioned by the defalcation in the office of the late Sergeant-at-Arms.

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Deficiency appropri-
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late Sergeant-at-Arms
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deposits.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of seventy-five thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary be, and the same is hereby appropriated, out of any moneys in the Treasury of the United States not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of supplying the deficiency in the appropriation heretofore made for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and ninety, for the pay and mileage of delegates and members of the House of Representatives, occasioned by the recent defalcation in the office of the late Sergeant-at-Arms of the House, said sum to be immediately available and that the same be paid to the Sergeant-at-Arms of the House upon the requisitions of the Speaker: *Provided,* That the Sergeant-at-Arms of the House shall first give bond to the United States, with two or more sureties, to be approved by the Speaker of the House, in the sum of fifty thousand dollars, with condition for the faithful keeping, application, and disbursement of all moneys that shall come into his hands under the provisions of this act, or by virtue of his office, said bond to be filed with the First Comptroller of the Treasury.

SEC. 2. The Sergeant-at-Arms of the House, after making and filing bond as aforesaid, shall take into his possession all the money and other assets lately in the office of the Sergeant-at-Arms, and now on deposit with the Treasurer of the United States by order of the House, and out of the same, together with the sum hereby appropriated, he shall pay the delegates and members of the House of Representatives the amount due them, respectively, on account of salaries for the period ending December fourth, anno Domini eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, and now remaining unpaid, as shown by the books of the office of the Sergeant-at-Arms.

SEC. 3. That the said Sergeant-at-Arms, out of the money now on deposit with the Treasurer of the United States as aforesaid, and which was drawn from the National Metropolitan Bank on the seventh day of December, eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, the avails of the deposits of private funds made by the members of the House with the late Sergeant-at-Arms, refund to each, the amount of such private deposits.

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