

CHAPTER 103
SB 473 - FINAL VERSION

2026 SESSION

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SENATE BILL **473**

AN ACT defining the term "field officers" within the national guard.

SPONSORS: Sen. McGough, Dist 11; Sen. Watters, Dist 4; Sen. McConkey, Dist 3; Sen. Pearl, Dist 17; Rep. Giasson, Hills. 29; Rep. Miles, Hills. 12; Rep. Moffett, Merr. 4

COMMITTEE: Executive Departments and Administration

ANALYSIS

This bill defines the term "field grade officers" or "field officers" for purposes of promotion and appointment within the army national guard to mean officers holding the rank of lieutenant colonel or colonel.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in *bold italics*.
Matter removed from current law appears [~~in brackets and struck through.~~]
Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty-Six

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Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

1 103:1 New Paragraph; Defining Field Grade Officers for Purposes of Promotion and Appointment.

2 Amend RSA 110-B:20 by inserting after paragraph III the following new paragraph:

3 IV. For the purposes of promotion and appointment of field grade officers of the army national
4 guard, the term "field grade officers" or "field officers" shall mean officers in the rank of lieutenant colonel
5 and colonel.

103:2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.

Approved: May 28, 2026
Effective Date: July 27, 2026