

Amendment to HB 471

1 Amend RSA 106-L:5, III as inserted by section 1 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

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3 III. For the purposes of a disciplinary hearing, subpoena and examine witnesses under oath,
4 take oaths or affirmations, and reduce to writing testimony given at any hearing. Any person whose
5 rights or privileges may be affected at such a disciplinary hearing may appear with witnesses and be
6 represented by counsel. ***A disciplinary hearing shall be public; however, a portion of the***
7 ***hearing may be closed to the public only if the party seeking closure can prove with***
8 ***specificity that the portion of the hearing will reveal confidential information that creates***
9 ***a compelling interest outweighing the public's presumed right of access. The council may***
10 ***in a nonpublic session, hear and consider the request for closure and rule on such request.***