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An act relating to creating a National Guard provost marshal

The Senate proposes to the House to amend the bill as follows:

First: In Sec. 1, 20 V.S.A. § 428, by inserting a subdivision (b)(4) to read as follows:

(4) Respond to allegations of sexual assault within the Vermont National Guard, including:

(A) reporting and documenting allegations of sexual assault within the Guard;

(B) coordinating and communicating with the Vermont National Guard Sexual Assault Response Coordinator as appropriate;

(C) coordinating and communicating with federal, State, and local law enforcement in relation to allegations of sexual assault by a member of the Vermont National Guard; and

(D) coordinating with State's Attorneys and the Attorney General in cases related to an alleged sexual assault by a member of the Vermont National Guard.

Second: In Sec. 1, 20 V.S.A. § 428, by striking out subsection (c) in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof a new subsection (c) to read as follows:

(c) Powers. The provost marshal and the assistant provost marshal shall have the same powers and immunities as those conferred on the State Police by

section 1914 of this title. The powers granted to the provost marshal and the assistant provost marshal under this section may be exercised statewide with respect to criminal activity in the National Guard only. Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to prevent an individual serving as the provost marshal or assistant provost marshal from working as an officer in another law enforcement agency or from exercising the law enforcement authority granted to officers working in that agency.