



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ACT MEMO

2013 Wisconsin Act 98
[2013 Senate Bill 118]

**Authorization for an Additional
Deputy Adjutant General**

The Department of Military Affairs (DMA) is headed by an adjutant general, who oversees the functions of the Wisconsin Army and Air National Guard. Under the adjutant general, the Army and Air National Guard are each headed by a deputy adjutant general. **Prior law** also provided for a position of joint chief of staff. The joint chief of staff was responsible for overseeing the joint staff functions between the Army and Air National Guard.

2013 Wisconsin Act 98 eliminates the position of joint chief of staff and creates a third deputy adjutant general position in DMA for civil authority support. A person serving as deputy adjutant general for civil authority support may serve as joint chief of staff and may be a member of either the Army or Air National Guard. Additionally, the deputy adjutant general for civil authority support serves at the discretion of the adjutant general.

Effective date: The Act took effect on December 15, 2013.

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This memo provides a brief description of the Act. For more detailed information, consult the text of the law and related legislative documents at the Legislature's Web site at: <http://www.legis.wisconsin.gov>.