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An Act to amend the Militia Act.

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MR. BORDEN,  
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## An Act to amend the Militia Act.

**H**ER Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate and House of Commons of Canada, enacts as follows:—

1. Section 41 of *The Militia Act*, chapter 41 of the Revised R.S.C., c. 41,  
5 Statutes, is repealed and the following is substituted therefor:— new s. 41.

“41. In and for each of the twelve military districts here- Command  
inbefore mentioned there shall be appointed an officer, who of military  
shall have the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel, and who shall districts.  
command the militia in his district, and he shall be paid at the  
10 rate of twelve hundred dollars per annum.

“2. There shall also be appointed in each of the military Staff and  
districts aforesaid such staff officers and such other officers. other officers.  
are necessary, and the salaries of such staff officers shall be  
fixed by the Governor in Council.

15 “3. If any two or more districts are amalgamated for admi- As to  
nistrative purposes, one such officer only shall be appointed to amalgamated  
command the militia in the districts so amalgamated. districts.

“4. Her Majesty may adopt such designation or name of Change of  
office as Her Majesty thinks proper for the officer who com- designation.  
20 mands the militia in any district, and may, from time to time,  
change such designation or name of office.”

2. Section 45 of the said Act is repealed and the following New s. 45.  
is substituted therefor:—

“45. Officers holding commissions as Lieutenant-Colonel in Officers on  
25 the Militia may be transferred to the retired list with honorary retired list.  
rank not exceeding that of Colonel, and officers now on the  
retired list holding commissions as Lieutenant-Colonel may be  
promoted to the rank of Colonel, under regulations approved  
by the Governor in Council.

30 “2. Officers from the retired list may be re-appointed to the Re-appoint-  
active list or such other list as is from time to time authorized; ment.  
but no officer so re-appointed shall be compelled to serve in a  
lower rank than that with which he retired.”

2. Section 47 of the said Act is repealed and the following New s. 47.  
35 is substituted therefor:—

“47. In time of peace no person except the officer com- What shall be  
manding the Militia shall hold higher rank in the militia than the highest  
that of Colonel; but Her Majesty may, whenever the militia rank.  
is called out for active service in the field, appoint therein other  
40 officers of rank superior to that of Colonel, but not higher in  
any case than that of Major General.”