

ASSEMBLY, No. 5807

STATE OF NEW JERSEY 219th LEGISLATURE

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SYNOPSIS

Permits exemption from civil service examination requirement for entry-level county sheriff's officer and county correctional police officer.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



1 AN ACT concerning civil service examination requirement for entry-
2 level county sheriff's officer and county correctional police
3 officer position, and amending P.L.2021, c.7.

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5 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
6 of New Jersey:

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8 1. Section 1 of P.L.2021, c.7 (C.11A:4-1.3) is amended to read as
9 follows:

10 1. a. The Civil Service Commission shall exempt from the
11 requirement to take an examination for an entry-level law
12 enforcement position, an entry-level county sheriff's officer position,
13 or an entry-level county correctional police officer position a person
14 who has successfully completed a full Basic Course for Police
15 Officers training course at a school approved and authorized by the
16 New Jersey Police Training commission.

17 b. The Civil Service Commission shall promulgate, pursuant to
18 the "Administrative Procedure Act," P.L.1968, c.410 (C.52:14B-1 et
19 seq.), rules and regulations and establish administrative processes
20 that are reasonable, necessary, and consistent with the provisions of
21 this act.

22 c. A municipal or county police department or a county sheriff's
23 department may hire a person **[,]** exempt from the requirement to take
24 an examination **[for an entry-level law enforcement position]**
25 pursuant to subsection a. of this section, upon adoption of an
26 ordinance or resolution by the governing body authorizing such
27 hiring by the **[police]** department and the adoption of a conflict of
28 interest and nepotism policy.

29 d. A county correctional facility may hire a person, exempt from
30 the requirement to take an examination for an entry-level county
31 correctional police officer position pursuant to subsection a. of this
32 section, upon adoption of a resolution by the governing body
33 authorizing such hiring by the correctional facility and the adoption
34 of a conflict of interest and nepotism policy.

35 (cf: P.L.2021, c.7, s.1)

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37 2. This act shall take effect six months following enactment,
38 except the Civil Service Commission may take any anticipatory
39 administrative action in advance as shall be necessary for the
40 implementation of this act.

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42 STATEMENT

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44 Under current law, a person must pass the civil service law
45 enforcement examination prior to becoming eligible for employment
46 as an entry-level county sheriff officer or an entry-level county
47 correctional police officer.

EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets **[thus]** in the above bill is
not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

1 Under this bill, the Civil Service Commission will exempt from
2 examination for an entry-level county sheriff's officer position or an
3 entry-level county correctional police officer position any person
4 who has successfully completed a full Basic Course for Police
5 Officers training course at a school approved and authorized by the
6 New Jersey Police Training commission.
7 Also, the bill permits a county correctional facility to hire a person
8 exempt from the requirement to take an examination for an entry-
9 level position upon adoption of a resolution by the governing body
10 authorizing such hiring by the correctional facility and the adoption
11 of a conflict of interest and nepotism policy.