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SYNOPSIS

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

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

STATEMENT

Under current law, a person must pass the civil service law enforcement examination prior to becoming eligible for employment as an entry-level county sheriff's officer.

Under this bill, the Civil Service Commission will exempt from examination for an entry-level county sheriff's officer position any person who has successfully completed a full Basic Course for Police Officers training course at a school approved and authorized by the New Jersey Police Training commission.

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.