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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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FIRST REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "B" to H.P. 139, L.D. 201, Bill, "An Act to Repeal the Maine Criminal Justice Academy Certification Requirements for Sheriffs"

Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

'An Act to Amend the Maine Criminal Justice Academy Requirements for Sheriff'

Further amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the summary and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 1. 30-A MRSA §371-B, sub-§3, ¶D, as repealed and replaced by PL 1997, c. 562, Pt. D, §6 and affected by §11, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

D. The candidate submits written certification from the Maine Criminal Justice Academy that the candidate is certified under Title 25, section 2804-C and the candidate has at least 5 years of experience as a law enforcement officer.

Sec. 2. 30-A MRSA §371-B, sub-§4, as repealed and replaced by PL 1997, c. 562, Pt. D, §6 and affected by §11, is repealed.

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2 **Sec. 3. Transition.** A person who is serving in the office of
3 sheriff on the effective date of this Act is not required to meet
4 the minimum requirements established by this Act until that
5 person's term of office expires. Before a person may be a
6 candidate for sheriff again, a person must meet the requirements
7 of Title 30-A, section 371-B, subsection 3, paragraph D.'

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SUMMARY

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12 This amendment replaces and retitles the bill and is the
13 minority report of the Joint Standing Committee on Criminal
14 Justice. This amendment repeals the existing requirement that a
15 candidate for sheriff qualify for an executive certificate under
16 the Maine Criminal Justice Academy standards and instead requires
17 a candidate to hold current certification in basic law
18 enforcement training under the Maine Criminal Justice Academy
19 standards and to have at least 5 years of experience as a law
20 enforcement officer. The amendment also repeals the grandfather
21 provision after current terms of office are served and requires
22 all who wish to be candidates for reelection to meet the new
requirements.