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L.D. 1065

Date: 6-1-21

(Filing No. H-284)

MAJORITY  
STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

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STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
130TH LEGISLATURE  
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 794, L.D. 1065, "An Act To Clarify the Qualifications and Oversight of Sheriffs"

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and inserting the following:

Sec. 1. 30-A MRSA §371-B, sub-§3, ¶D, as amended by PL 2011, c. 342, §33, is further amended to read:

D. The candidate submits written certification from the Maine Criminal Justice Academy that the candidate has:

- (1) Met Is currently certified as a law enforcement officer and has met the basic law enforcement training standards under Title 25, section 2804-C; or
- (2) ~~Met the basic corrections training standards under Title 25, section 2804-D;~~  
and
- (3) Was previously certified as a law enforcement officer and agrees to meet the basic law enforcement training standards under Title 25, section 2804-C within one year of taking office; and

Sec. 2. 30-A MRSA §371-B, sub-§3-A is enacted to read:

3-A. Ongoing training. A person appointed to the office of sheriff shall continually meet the in-service law enforcement training standards under Title 25, section 2804-E and any other statutory requirements of preservice, basic or in-service law enforcement training required for certification or continued certification as a law enforcement officer.

Sec. 3. 30-A MRSA §371-B, sub-§4, as amended by PL 2003, c. 510, Pt. C, §11, is further amended to read:

4. Exception. Any person who served as a full-time law enforcement officer employed by a municipal police department or a state agency, including the University of Maine System, on or before July 1, 1990 or is serving in the office of sheriff on June 26,

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1997 2021 or who served prior to that date is deemed to meet the minimum qualifications of subsection 3.'

Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.

**SUMMARY**

This amendment, which is the majority report of the committee, replaces the bill. It clarifies that a candidate for county sheriff must either be currently certified as a law enforcement officer and in compliance with the training requirement in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 25, section 2804-C or be a previously certified law enforcement officer who agrees to meet the requirements of Title 25, section 2804-C within one year of taking office. It requires all county sheriffs to continually meet the in-service law enforcement training standards under Title 25, section 2804-E and any other statutory requirements of preservice, basic or in-service law enforcement training required for certification or continued certification as a law enforcement officer. It provides that a full-time law enforcement officer employed by a municipal police department or state agency before July 1, 1990 is deemed to have met the minimum qualifications for county sheriff candidates.

**FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**

(See attached)



# 130th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1065

LR 1323(02)

**An Act To Clarify the Qualifications and Oversight of Sheriffs**

**Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment**

*A(H-284)*

**Committee: State and Local Government**

**Fiscal Note Required: Yes**

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## Fiscal Note

Minor cost increase - General Fund

### Fiscal Detail and Notes

Additional costs to the Department of Public Safety associated with this legislation can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.