

## 2001 ASSEMBLY BILL 24

1     **AN ACT to amend** 59.26 (8) (a) and 63.08 (1) (a) of the statutes; **relating to:**  
2             residency requirements for persons who wish to take an examination for the  
3             position of deputy sheriff.

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*Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau*

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*The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:*

4             **SECTION 1.** 59.26 (8) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:  
5             59.26 **(8)** (a) In any county with a population of less than 500,000, the board,  
6             by ordinance, may fix the number of deputy sheriffs to be appointed in that county  
7             at not less than that number required by sub. (1) (a) and (b) and may set the salary  
8             of those deputies. The board may provide by ordinance that deputy sheriff positions  
9             be filled by appointment by the sheriff from a list of all persons with the 3 highest  
10            scores for each position based on a competitive examination ~~of persons residing in~~

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1 ~~this state for at least one full year prior to the date of such examination.~~ Such  
2 competitive examinations may be by a county civil service commission or by the  
3 division of merit recruitment and selection in the department of employment  
4 relations at the option of the board and it shall so provide by ordinance. The division  
5 of merit recruitment and selection in the department of employment relations shall,  
6 upon request of the board, conduct such examination according to the methods used  
7 in examinations for the state civil service and shall certify an eligible list of the  
8 names of all persons with the 3 highest scores on that examination for each position  
9 to the sheriff of that county who shall make an appointment from that list to fill the  
10 position within 10 days after he or she receives the eligible list. The county for which  
11 such examination is conducted shall pay the cost of that examination. If a civil  
12 service commission is decided upon for the selection of deputy sheriffs, then ss. 63.01  
13 to 63.17 shall apply so far as consistent with this subsection, except ss. 63.03, 63.04  
14 and 63.15 and except the provision governing minimum compensation of the  
15 commissioners. The ordinance or an amending ordinance may provide for employee  
16 grievance procedures and disciplinary actions, for hours of work, for tours of duty  
17 according to seniority and for other administrative regulations. Any board provision  
18 consistent with this paragraph and existing on July 25, 1951, is validated. If the  
19 sheriff fills a deputy sheriff position by promotion, the sheriff shall make the  
20 appointment to the position from a list of 3 deputy sheriffs who receive the highest  
21 scores in a competitive examination. Such competitive examinations may be by a  
22 county civil service commission or by the division of merit recruitment and selection  
23 in the department of employment relations at the option of the board and it shall so  
24 provide by ordinance.

25 **SECTION 2.** 63.08 (1) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

