

CHAPTER 524.

AN ACT to renumber and amend 59.074 (1) and to amend 59.21 (8) (a) of the statutes, relating to county civil service.

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

SECTION 1. 59.074 (1) of the statutes is renumbered 59.074 and amended to read:

59.074 Any county may proceed, under section 59.07, to establish a civil service system of selection, tenure and status, and said system may be made applicable to all county personnel, including personnel authorized by statute to be appointed by officers, boards, committees or commissions, except the members of the governing body, elective constitutional officers, members of boards and commissions and members of the judiciary. Such system may * * * *include also uniform provisions in respect to classification of positions and salary ranges, pay roll certification, attendance, vacations, sick leave, competitive examinations, hours of work, work tours of duty or assignments according to earned seniority, employe grievance procedure and disciplinary actions, lay-offs, and in separations for cause subject to approval of a civil service commission or the county board. Existing county board regulations consistent herewith are by this amendment validated.*

SECTION 2. 59.21 (8) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

59.21 (8) (a) In counties having a population of less than 500,000, the county board may by ordinance fix the number of deputy sheriffs to be appointed in said county which number shall not be less than that required by subsection (1) (a) and (b), and fix the salary of such deputies; and may further provide by ordinance, that deputy sheriff positions shall be filled by appointment by the sheriff from a list of 3 persons for each position, such list to consist of the 3 candidates who shall receive the highest rating in a competitive examination of persons residing in such county for at least one full year prior to the date of such examination. Such competitive examinations may be by a county civil service commission or by the state bureau of personnel at the option of the county board and it shall so provide by ordinance. The director of the state bureau of personnel shall upon request of the county board conduct such examination according to the methods used in examinations for the state civil service and shall certify an eligible list of 3 names for each position to the sheriff of such county who shall thereupon make an appointment from such list to fill such position within 10 days after the receipt of such eligible list. The county for which such examination is conducted shall pay the cost thereof. In the event that a civil service commission is decided upon for the selection of deputy sheriffs, then the provisions of sections 16.31 to 16.44 shall apply so far as consistent with this subsection, except sections 16.33, 16.34 and 16.43 and except the provision governing minimum compensation of the commissioners and except that such ordinance may provide for 3 commissioners. *The ordinance or an amending ordinance may provide for employe grievance procedures and disciplinary actions, for hours of work, for tours of duty according to seniority and for other administrative regulations. Existing county board provisions consistent herewith are by this amendment validated.*

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