1989 Assembly Bill 424

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## 1989 WISCONSIN ACT 221

AN ACT to amend 59.21 (8) (a) of the statutes, relating to: the hiring process for deputy sheriffs.

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

**SECTION 1.** 59.21 (8) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

59.21 (8) (a) In counties any county having a population of less than 500,000, the county board may, by ordinance, may fix the number of deputy sheriffs to be appointed in said that county which number shall at not be less than that number required by sub. (1) (a) and (b), and fix may set the salary of such those deputies; and. The county board may further provide by ordinance, that deputy sheriff positions shall be filled by appointment by the sheriff from a list of 3 persons all persons with the 3 highest scores for each position, such list to consist of the 3 candidates who shall receive the highest rating in based on a competitive examination of persons residing in this state 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 division of merit recruitment and selection in the department of employment relations at the option of the county board and it shall so provide by ordinance. The division of merit recruitment and selection in the department of employment relations 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 the names of all persons with the 3 highest scores on that examination for each position to the sheriff of such that county who shall thereupon make an appointment from such that list to fill such the position within 10 days after the receipt of such he or she receives the eligible list. The county for which such examination is conducted shall pay the cost thereof of that examination. If a civil service commission is decided upon for the selection of deputy sheriffs, then ss. 63.01 to 63.17 shall apply so far as consistent with this subsection, except ss. 63.03, 63.04 and 63.15 and except the provision governing minimum compensation of the 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. County Any county board provisions provision consistent herewith with this paragraph and existing on July 25, 1951, are is validated. If the sheriff fills a deputy sheriff position by promotion, the sheriff shall make the appointment to the position from a list of 3 deputy sheriffs who receive the highest scores in a competitive examination. Such competitive examinations may be by a county civil service commission or by the division of merit recruitment and selection in the department of employment relations at the option of the county board and it shall so provide by ordinance.