

1 AN ACT in relation to county law enforcement employees.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,  
3 represented in the General Assembly:

4 Section 5. The Counties Code is amended by changing  
5 Section 3-8010 as follows:

6 (55 ILCS 5/3-8010) (from Ch. 34, par. 3-8010)

7 Sec. 3-8010. Certification of applicants. The  
8 appointment of all personnel subject to the jurisdiction of  
9 the Merit Commission shall be made by the sheriff from those  
10 applicants who have been certified by the Commission as being  
11 qualified for appointment. A Commission may, by its rules  
12 and regulations, set forth the minimum requirements for  
13 appointment to any position. In addition, the Commission's  
14 review of any application may include examinations,  
15 investigations or any other method consistent with recognized  
16 merit principles, which in the judgment of the Commission is  
17 reasonable and practical for any particular classification.  
18 Different examining procedures may be set for the  
19 examinations in different classifications but all  
20 examinations in the same classification shall be uniform.  
21 However, the Merit Commission may by regulation provide that  
22 applicants who have served with another sheriff's office, a  
23 police department, or any other law enforcement agency, or  
24 who are graduate law enforcement interns as defined in the  
25 Law Enforcement Intern Training Act, may be exempt from one  
26 or more of the minimum requirements for appointment.  
27 Preference may be given in such appointments to persons who  
28 have honorably served in the military or naval services of  
29 the United States.

30 The sheriff shall make appointments from those persons  
31 certified by the Commission as qualified for appointment. If

1 the sheriff rejects any person so certified, the sheriff  
2 shall notify the Commission in writing of such rejection.

3 The rules and regulations of a Commission shall provide  
4 that all initial appointees shall serve a probationary period  
5 of 12 months during which time they may be discharged at the  
6 will of the sheriff.

7 (Source: P.A. 86-962.)

8 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
9 becoming law.