

40A:9-117.14

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY CHECKLIST

NJSA: 40A:9-117.14 (Sheriff officer - certain counties - without Civil Service exams)

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Bill No: A854

Sponsor(s): Gorman and others

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Senate: County and Municipal Government

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**ASSEMBLY, No. 854**

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

INTRODUCED FEBRUARY 22, 1982

By Assemblyman GORMAN, Assemblywoman BROWN, Assemblymen RILEY, D. GALLO, SMITH, BRYANT, PANKOK, HOLLENBECK, JACKMAN, SCHWARTZ, COWAN, VISOTCKY, CHARLES, DORIA, ADUBATO, T. GALLO, CHINNICI, MUZIANI, LITTELL, DOYLE, WEIDEL, MARSELLA, and MARKERT

Referred to Committee on State Government, Civil Service,  
 Elections, Pensions and Veterans Affairs

AN ACT permitting the permanent appointment of certain persons to the position of sheriff's officer without having to take the civil service examination.

1 BE IT ENACTED *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*  
 2 *of New Jersey:*

1 1. In any county\*, *except a county of the first class,\** any person  
 2 who on the effective date of this act is employed in the position of  
 3 sheriff's officer as a provisional employee, **\*[and who]\*** *\*who has*  
 4 *at least five years as a sworn police officer or has at least two*  
 5 *years experience as a provisional sheriff's officer, and who, prior*  
 6 *to July, 1982,\** is enrolled in or who has successfully completed  
 7 a certified Police Academy Training Course in the State of New  
 8 Jersey, shall be eligible for permanent appointment by the sheriff\*,  
 9 *at his discretion,\** to the position of sheriff's officer without having  
 10 to take the civil service open competitive examination\*, *upon*  
 11 *passage of a qualifying examination for the position administered*  
 12 *by the Department of Civil Service\*.*

1 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

**EXPLANATION—Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.**

**Matter printed in italics thus is new matter.**

**Matter enclosed in asterisks or stars has been adopted as follows:**

**\*—Senate committee amendments adopted January 27, 1983.**

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STATEMENT

The purpose of this bill is to permit the Sheriff of any county to appoint any person to the position of sheriff's officer on a permanent basis without requiring the person to take the civil service examination, if the person holds the position of sheriff's officer in that county on a provisional basis and is enrolled in or has successfully completed a certified Police Academy Training Course in the State of New Jersey.

ASSEMBLY STATE GOVERNMENT, CIVIL SERVICE,  
ELECTIONS, PENSIONS AND VETERANS  
AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO  
ASSEMBLY, No. 854

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

DATED: JUNE 24, 1982

This bill would permit the sheriff of any county to appoint any person to the position of sheriff's officer on a permanent basis without requiring the person to take the civil service examination if, on the date the bill takes effect as law, the person holds the position of sheriff's officer in that county on a provisional basis and is enrolled in or has successfully completed a certified Police Academy Training Course in the State of New Jersey.

SENATE COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT  
COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO  
**ASSEMBLY, No. 854**  
with Senate committee amendments

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

DATED: JANUARY 27, 1983

Assembly Bill No. 854 would permit the sheriff of certain counties to appoint certain provisional sheriff's officers to the position of sheriff's officer on a permanent basis without requiring the appointee to take an open competitive civil service examination.

The Senate committee amended the bill at the request of the sponsor to:

1. Exclude first class counties from the provisions of the bill;
2. Require that a provisional sheriff's officer pass a qualifying examination for the position prior to permanent appointment;
3. Require at least five years experience as a sworn police officer, or at least two years experience as a provisional sheriff's officer, to qualify for permanent appointment;
4. Require that a provisional sheriff's officer be enrolled in or successfully completed a certified Police Training Course prior to July, 1982, to qualify; and
5. Assure that the sheriff of the county may, in his discretion, permanently appoint qualifying provisional sheriff's officers.