

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
TWO THOUSAND TWENTY-ONE

H.P. 794 - L.D. 1065

An Act To Clarify the Qualifications and Oversight of Sheriffs

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1. 30-A MRSA §371-B, sub-§3, ¶D, as amended by PL 2011, c. 342, §33, is further amended to read:

D. The candidate submits written certification from the Maine Criminal Justice Academy that the candidate has:

- (1) Met Is currently certified as a law enforcement officer and has met the basic law enforcement training standards under Title 25, section 2804-C; or
- (2) ~~Met the basic corrections training standards under Title 25, section 2804-D; and~~
- (3) Was previously certified as a law enforcement officer and agrees to meet the basic law enforcement training standards under Title 25, section 2804-C within one year of taking office; and

Sec. 2. 30-A MRSA §371-B, sub-§3-A is enacted to read:

3-A. Ongoing training. A person appointed to the office of sheriff shall continually meet the in-service law enforcement training standards under Title 25, section 2804-E and any other statutory requirements of preservice, basic or in-service law enforcement training required for certification or continued certification as a law enforcement officer.

Sec. 3. 30-A MRSA §371-B, sub-§4, as amended by PL 2003, c. 510, Pt. C, §11, is further amended to read:

4. Exception. Any person who served as a full-time law enforcement officer employed by a municipal police department or a state agency, including the University of Maine System, on or before July 1, 1990 or is serving in the office of sheriff on June 26, 1997 2021 or ~~who~~ served prior to that date is deemed to meet the minimum qualifications of subsection 3.