No. 1986-83

AN ACT

HB 2276

Amending the act of May 31, 1974 (P.L.296, No.94), entitled "An act providing for the appointment, promotion, reduction in rank, suspension, furlough, discharge and reinstatement of deputy sheriffs in counties of the second class; extending civil service coverage to such deputies; and providing penalties," further providing for civil service examinations and for appeals to the Civil Service Commission.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. Sections 5 and 10(b) of the act of May 31, 1974 (P.L.296, No.94), entitled "An act providing for the appointment, promotion, reduction in rank, suspension, furlough, discharge and reinstatement of deputy sheriffs in counties of the second class; extending civil service coverage to such deputies; and providing penalties," are amended to read:

Section 5. Manner of Making Appointments.—Every position of employment, unless filled by promotion or reinstatement, shall be filled only in the following manner: The sheriff of the county shall notify the commission of any vacancy in the force of deputy sheriffs which is to be filled and shall request certification of a list of eligibles. The commission shall certify to the sheriff all those eligible from the last preceding examination held within a period of **[two]** three years next preceding the date of the request for such eligibles. The sheriff of the county shall thereupon make an appointment from the eligible list certified to him.

Section 10. Reducing in Rank; Suspension; Furloughing; Discharging.-

(b) In every case of reduction of rank, suspension, furlough or discharge, a copy or statement of the reasons therefor and written answers thereto shall be furnished to the person sought to be reduced in rank, suspended, furloughed or discharged if he shall make demand therefor. He shall have the right to appeal to the commission for a hearing on the reasons or charges preferred against him within ninety days of the date of service of a copy or statement of the reasons or charges.

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Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.

APPROVED—The 3rd day of July, A. D. 1986.

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