

Fiscal Note & Local Impact Statement

123rd General Assembly of Ohio

BILL:	H.B. 436	DATE:	October 6, 1999
STATUS:	As Introduced	SPONSOR:	Rep. Amstutz
LOCAL IMPACT STATEMENT REQUIRED:	No —	No local cost	
CONTENTS:	Exempts incumbent sheriffs from certain law enforcement training certification requirements for calendar year 2000 election		

State Fiscal Highlights

- No direct fiscal effect on the state.

Local Fiscal Highlights

- No direct fiscal effect on political subdivisions.

Detailed Fiscal Analysis

The bill grants incumbent sheriffs a waiver for certain peace officer training certification requirements to be eligible for the year 2000 election. The Ohio Revised Code (ORC), section 311.01, stipulates that a candidate for the office of county sheriff must meet the requirements of division (B)(8)(a) or (b). Division (B)(8)(a) requires that a candidate for county sheriff possess a basic peace officer certificate of training and attained applicable work experience as a “peace officer”, or been issued a certificate of training from the Ohio Highway Patrol Academy and attained applicable work experience as a state trooper. Division (B)(8)(b) requires that a candidate possess a basic peace officer certificate of training and applicable work experience as a “law enforcement officer.” The bill temporarily sets aside these training certification requirements for incumbent sheriffs.

Currently, seven incumbent county sheriffs in the state do not meet the eligibility criteria of ORC section 311.01(B)(8)(a) or (b). The bill would allow these and any other incumbent sheriff lacking the same eligibility requirement the opportunity to participate in the upcoming election. The bill enumerates that any incumbent reelected to office who does not possess the appropriate training documentation must complete applicable training by January 3, 2001.

The operation of the bill does not pose any monetary effects upon the state or local governments nor does it levy penalties against incumbent sheriffs for failing to comply fully with



the operation of the bill. Training for the incumbent reelected to office having to complete peace officer basic training in most instances is borne by the person receiving the training but the county government may elect to pay for the training at its own discretion.

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