

1 HB447  
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3 By Representatives Rogers and Alexander (N & P)  
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9 A BILL  
10 TO BE ENTITLED  
11 AN ACT  
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13 Relating to Jefferson County; to amend Section  
14 45-37-232.40, Code of Alabama 1975, relating to a confidential  
15 secretary for the Sheriff of Jefferson County; to authorize  
16 the sheriff to employ a confidential secretary for the  
17 Bessemer Division.

18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

19 Section 1. Section 45-37-232.40, Code of Alabama  
20 1975, is amended to read as follows:

21 "§45-37-232.40.

22 "(a) (1) The Sheriff of Jefferson County may employ a  
23 confidential secretary in lieu of an executive secretary and  
24 may employ a confidential secretary for the Bessemer Division.  
25 ~~The~~ A confidential secretary of the sheriff shall be paid the  
26 same compensation as the confidential secretary of the  
27 Jefferson County Commission. ~~The~~ A confidential secretary of

1 the sheriff shall not be subject to any merit system  
2 applicable to the employees of Jefferson County. ~~If, at~~ At the  
3 time of employment as a confidential secretary of the sheriff,  
4 if the person employed is an employee of Jefferson County and  
5 subject to a merit system, ~~the person,~~ upon the date of  
6 termination as a confidential secretary of the sheriff, the  
7 person shall be entitled to return to the employ of Jefferson  
8 County in a position subject to the merit system  
9 classification which is equal to or higher than the position  
10 that was held by the person as of the date the person was  
11 originally employed as a confidential secretary of the  
12 sheriff.

13 "(2) Service time as a confidential secretary of the  
14 sheriff shall be considered, for all purposes, as service time  
15 as a merit system employee of Jefferson County if the person  
16 subsequently returns to a merit system classification as  
17 described in subdivision (1).

18 "(3) A confidential secretary of the sheriff shall  
19 receive the same benefits that a merit system employee of  
20 Jefferson County receives, including, but not limited to,  
21 longevity pay.

22 "(b) A confidential secretary of the sheriff may  
23 become a member of any pension plan applicable to employees of  
24 Jefferson County, if application for membership is made to the  
25 pension plan within 30 days of the date of employment as a  
26 confidential secretary of the sheriff.

1                   "(c) No person may run for elected county office  
2 while employed as a confidential secretary of the sheriff."

3                   Section 2. This act shall become effective on the  
4 first day of the third month following its passage and  
5 approval by the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.