

1 HB455
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3 By Representative Hollis (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 Birmingham Division and 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 for
24 both the Birmingham Division and the Bessemer Division. ~~The A~~
25 confidential secretary of the sheriff shall be paid the same
26 compensation as the confidential secretary of the Jefferson
27 County Commission. ~~The A~~ confidential secretary of the sheriff

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

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

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

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

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

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