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3 By Senator Price (N & P)  
4 RFD: Local Legislation  
5 First Read: 18-MAR-21

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4 With Notice and Proof

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6 ENROLLED, An Act,

7 Relating to Randolph County; to provide for the  
8 qualifications of the sheriff; and to require completion of  
9 continuing education.

10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

11 Section 1. This act shall only apply in Randolph  
12 County.

13 Section 2. On or after the effective date of this  
14 act, an individual qualifying for election to the office of  
15 sheriff in the county or any individual appointed to serve as  
16 a sheriff shall meet all of the following minimum  
17 qualifications, in addition to any other qualifications  
18 required by law:

19 (1) Is a citizen of the United States.

20 (2) Has been a resident of the county for at least  
21 one year immediately prior to the qualification date.

22 (3) Has the qualifications of an elector pursuant to  
23 state and federal law and the individual has been registered  
24 to vote in the county at least one year immediately prior to  
25 qualifying.

1           (4) Has been awarded a high school diploma or a GED  
2 equivalent.

3           (5) Is 25 years of age or older prior to qualifying.

4           (6) Has three or more years of full-time prior  
5 service as a law enforcement officer having the power of  
6 arrest, which service is certified by the Alabama Peace  
7 Officers' Standards and Training Commission.

8           (7) Either of the following:

9           a. Has not been retired or separated from full-time  
10 active law enforcement certified through the Alabama Peace  
11 Officers' Standards and Training Commission for more than two  
12 consecutive years from the date of qualifying.

13           b. In the event the individual has been retired or  
14 separated from active law enforcement for more than two  
15 consecutive years, the individual has obtained a  
16 recertification of full-time active law enforcement status as  
17 a law enforcement officer from the Alabama Peace Officers'  
18 Standards and Training Commission prior to the date of  
19 qualifying.

20           (8) Has never been convicted of a felony criminal  
21 offense in this state or convicted of a criminal offense in  
22 another jurisdiction where a conviction of the offense would  
23 be considered a felony offense in this state.

24           Section 3. Upon election, the sheriff of the county  
25 shall attend annually a minimum of 20 hours of executive level

1 continuing education approved by the Alabama Sheriffs  
2 Association, National Sheriffs' Association, or any other  
3 recognized executive level continuing education program  
4 designed for law enforcement.

5 Section 4. This act shall become effective  
6 immediately following its passage and approval by the  
7 Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.

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President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

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Speaker of the House of Representatives

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I hereby certify that the within Act originated in and passed the Senate.

Patrick Harris,  
Secretary.

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House of Representatives  
Passed: 15-APR-21

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