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4 SYNOPSIS:

5 Under existing law, a sheriff and his deputies
6 are the individuals responsible for executing writs
7 issued by the courts.

8 This bill would authorize sheriffs to appoint
9 special reserve deputies to assist in the execution of
10 writs when more than 250 writs have been issued in a
11 county but have not yet been executed.

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14 A BILL
15 TO BE ENTITLED
16 AN ACT

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18 Relating to special reserve sheriff's deputies; to
19 provide for the appointment and service of special reserve
20 deputies.

21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

22 Section 1. For the purposes of this act, the following
23 terms have the following meanings:

24 (1) EMERGENCY WRIT CONDITION. Any time, as determined
25 by the sheriff, when more than 250 writs have been issued in
26 the county but have not yet been executed.

27 (2) SPECIAL RESERVE DEPUTY. An individual appointed by
28 the sheriff to serve writs under emergency writ conditions.



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29 (3) WRIT OF SEIZURE. A lawful writ issued by the
30 circuit or district clerk of the judicial circuit ordering the
31 seizure or securing of real property located within the
32 specific county overseen by the sheriff.

33 Section 2. (a) During an emergency writ condition, the
34 sheriff of any county in Alabama may appoint special reserve
35 deputies to assist in the execution of writs of seizure or
36 similar actions involving the seizure or securing of real
37 property.

42 (c) A special reserve deputy, when acting within the
43 scope of his or her duties pursuant to this act and in
44 compliance with the law, shall be entitled to the same
45 immunities and legal protections provided to deputies under
46 Section 36-22-3, Code of Alabama 1975.



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58 (c) A special reserve deputy may not receive any funds
59 from the county treasury for the service of writs of seizure.

60 (d) The sheriff may not receive any fee for any service
61 of writ performed by a special reserve deputy.

62 Section 4. (a) Prior to appointing an individual to
63 serve as a special reserve deputy, the sheriff shall confirm
64 that the individual meets all of the following qualifications:

65 (1) Is currently certified by the Alabama Peace
66 Officers' Standards and Training Commission.

67 (2) Is not employed by a sheriff's department at the
68 time of his or her appointment as a reserve deputy.

69 (3) Has successfully completed training from the
70 sheriff for special assignment writ execution within the last
71 three years.

72 (b) The sheriff shall establish a training program for
73 special reserve deputies and shall maintain documentation of
74 all individuals who have successfully completed the training
75 and the date on which each individual most recently
76 successfully completed the training.

77 (c) The sheriff may charge a reasonable fee to each
78 individual seeking to complete special reserve deputy
79 training.

80 Section 5. This act shall become effective on October
81 1, 2026.