

1 SB377
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3 By Senator Holley
4 RFD: Governmental Affairs
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7 A BILL
8 TO BE ENTITLED
9 AN ACT

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11 Relating to the office of sheriff; to provide
12 certain additional qualifications for persons serving as
13 sheriff.

14 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

15 Section 1. On and after the effective date of this
16 section, any person seeking election to an office as sheriff
17 and any person appointed to serve as a sheriff shall meet all
18 of the following minimum qualifications, in addition to any
19 other qualifications required by law:

20 (1) The person is a citizen of the United States.

21 (2) The person has been a resident of the county in
22 which the person is a candidate for or is appointed to the
23 office of sheriff for at least one year and a resident of
24 Alabama for at least three years immediately prior to the
25 qualification date.

1 (3) The person has the qualifications of an elector
2 pursuant to state and federal law and the person has been
3 registered to vote at least one year immediately prior to
4 qualifying in the county where the person seeks office.

5 (5) The person is 25 years of age or older prior to
6 qualifying.

7 (4) The person has been awarded a high school
8 diploma or a GED equivalence.

9 (6) The person has three or more years of prior
10 service as a law enforcement officer having the power of
11 arrest or a degree in criminal justice from an accredited
12 institution of higher education.

13 (7) The person has never been convicted of a felony.

14 Section 2. This act shall become effective
15 immediately following its passage and approval by the
16 Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.

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Yeas 30
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