

ASSEMBLY, No. 1839

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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By Assemblyman ROBERTS and
Assemblywoman CRUZ-PEREZ

1 AN ACT concerning certain former marine law enforcement officers.

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3 **BE IT ENACTED** *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*
4 *of New Jersey:*

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6 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of any other law to the contrary,
7 the appointing authority of any county or municipality which has
8 established and maintains a police force and has adopted the provisions
9 of Title 11A (Civil Service) of the New Jersey Statutes and the sheriff
10 of every county may include as duly qualified applicants on its list of
11 eligibles for appointment as a member or officer any person who:

12 a. was serving as an officer in good standing in the Bureau of
13 Marine Law Enforcement in the Division of State Police in the
14 Department of Law and Public Safety on June 1, 1996;

15 b. has successfully completed the training program and examination
16 conducted by the Division of State Police and has established to the
17 satisfaction of the Superintendent of State Police evidence of mental
18 and physical fitness and ability to perform the duties of an officer in
19 the Bureau of Marine Law Enforcement; and

20 c. was terminated for reasons of economy as an officer in the
21 Bureau of Marine Law Enforcement on or after July 1, 1996.

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23 2. The appointing authority of a county or municipality or a county
24 sheriff's office shall notify the Commissioner of Personnel if it elects
25 to include on its list of eligibles for appointment as a member or officer
26 a person meeting the requirements set forth in section 1 of this act.
27 Notice shall be in a manner and form prescribed by the commissioner.
28 If the commissioner determines that the person meets the
29 requirements, the commissioner shall provide for the inclusion of that
30 person on the list of eligibles, notwithstanding that the person has not
31 taken any examination required under the provisions of Title 11A
32 (Civil Service) of the New Jersey Statutes or that a list has already
33 been certified. Any person included on a list of eligibles shall be
34 placed on that list immediately after those persons granted veterans'
35 preference.

1 3. Nothing in this act shall be construed as waiving any of the
2 provisions or requirements of P.L.1961, c.56 (C.52:17B-66 et seq.).
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4 4. This act shall take effect immediately and shall expire one year
5 thereafter.
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STATEMENT

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10 This bill provides that officers in the Bureau of Marine Law
11 Enforcement in the Division of State Police who are laid off for
12 reasons of economy may be included on civil service eligibility lists for
13 appointment as county police officers, municipal police officers or
14 sheriff's officers. Under the provisions of the bill, any person who (1)
15 was serving in good standing as a marine law enforcement officer on
16 June 1, 1996, (2) successfully completed the State Police training
17 program and examination, and (3) was terminated for reasons of
18 economy on or after July 1, 1996 may be added to the civil service list
19 of eligible candidates for appointment as a county or municipal police
20 officer or sheriff's officer. The appointing authority would notify the
21 Commissioner of Personnel if it decided to include on its list of
22 eligibles a terminated marine law enforcement officer. If the
23 commissioner determines that the person is qualified, the commissioner
24 shall provide for the inclusion of that person on the list of eligibles
25 even though a list has already been certified and the person has not
26 taken the required civil service examination. Any person included on
27 a list of eligibles would be placed on that list immediately after those
28 persons granted veterans' preference.

29 This act shall not be construed as eliminating the requirement that
30 persons holding a probationary appointment as a police officer must
31 complete a police training course.

32 This act shall take effect immediately and shall expire one year
33 thereafter.
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39 Permits appointment of certain former marine law enforcement officers
as county or municipal police officers or sheriff's officers.