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**Act No. 30 (S. 17). An act relating to sheriff reforms**

**Subjects: Municipal and county government; sheriffs; county officers; powers and duties; counties**

This act imposes additional processes for disbursements or transfers of sheriff's departments' assets during the transition between sheriffs. It also adjusts when audits of sheriff's departments must be performed and how these are paid for. This act creates conflict-of-interest requirements for sheriffs and sheriff's deputies. It also requires annual financial disclosures from sheriffs. This act requires the Department of State's Attorneys and Sheriffs to develop the Sheriff's Departments Compensation and Benefits Model Policy and for sheriffs to follow that model policy when funds derived from contract administrative overhead fees are expended on compensation-related uses. It also requires sheriff's departments to provide law enforcement and security services to county and State courthouses under a single, statewide contract. This act creates the new position of Director of Sheriffs' Operations in the Department of State's Attorneys and Sheriffs. This act requires sheriffs to maintain a record of their work schedules. This act requires sheriff's departments to provide assistance to individuals with a relief from abuse order to retrieve personal belongings if asked and if within the sheriff's county, and it prohibits all law enforcement officers and law enforcement agencies from seeking a fee for providing this assistance. This act modernizes use-of-force terminology in statutes pertaining to sheriffs. It also repeals the penalty for refusing to assist a sheriff. This act requires three reports to be issued regarding sheriff's departments' provision of standby services for domestic violence survivors, deputy sheriffs' provision of courthouse security, and sheriff's departments reform.

Effective Date: Multiple effective dates, beginning on May 31, 2023