CHAPTER 1204

SHERIFFS' UNIFORMS

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AN ACT relating to providing standard uniforms for county sheriffs and their deputies. Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

- SECTION 1. NEW SECTION. County sheriffs and their deputies shall wear the standard uniform provided for in this Act and display a standard badge of office when on duty, except that the sheriff may designate other apparel when he or any of his deputies are engaged in assignments involving special investigation, civil process, court duties, jail duties, and the handling of mental patients. Special deputies appointed by the sheriff shall be excluded from the requirements of this Act.
- SEC. 2. NEW SECTION. After January 1, 1976, the county board of supervisors shall provide the sheriff and his full-time bonded deputies with all uniforms and accessories deemed necessary by the sheriff for properly outfitting the sheriff and his deputies. The expenditure for uniforms and accessories shall not exceed three hundred dollars per man in any calendar year.
- 1 SEC. 3. NEW SECTION. The department of general services shall have the responsibility of purchasing all uniforms, and the cost of the uniforms shall be assessed against each county.
- NEW SECTION. Prior to January 1, 1975, the commis-1 sioner of public safety, after considering the recommendations of the 2 Iowa state association of sheriffs and deputy sheriffs, shall adopt rules 3 designating the colors and design of the standard uniform to be worn 4 by the sheriffs and their deputies. The uniform shall include standard shoulder patches, badges, nameplates, hats, trousers, neckties, jackets, 5 6 socks, shoes and boots, and leather goods and be readily distinguishable from the uniform of other law enforcement agencies of the state. 8 The rules shall allow for individual county designation on the uniforms where appropriate. The rules shall be adopted and may be amended in 9 10 accordance with chapter seventeen A (17A) of the Code. 11
 - SEC. 5. NEW SECTION. All uniforms purchased after January 1, 1976, shall be of the designated color and design, and after January 1, 1977, all county sheriffs and their deputies shall wear the standard uniforms as provided in this Act.
 - SEC. 6. NEW SECTION. A district court judge, district associate judge, or judicial magistrate may direct that deputy sheriffs who act as bailiffs dress in wearing apparel other than their uniforms while court is in session.

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