LEGISLATIVE BILL 117

Approved by the Governor February 26, 1991

Introduced by Schimek, 27; Crosby, 29

AN ACT relating to the civil service system; to amend section 23-2519, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943; to include additional persons in the unclassified service as prescribed; to repeal the original section; and to declare an emergency.

Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

Section 1. That section 23-2519, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, be amended to read as follows:

- 23-2519. The county service shall be divided into the classified service and the unclassified service. All officers and positions of the county shall be in the classified service unless specifically designated as being in the unclassified service established by sections 23-2517 to 23-2533. All county employees who have permanent status under any other act prior to the passage of such sections 23-2517 to 23-2533 shall have status under the provisions of such sections 23-2517 to 23-2533 without further qualification. Positions in the unclassified service shall not be governed by the previsions of such sections 23-2517 to 23-2533 and shall include the following:
- (1) County officers elected by popular vote and persons appointed to fill vacancies in such elective offices:
- (2) The county personnel officer and the administrative assistant to the board of county commissioners;
 - (3) Bailiffs;
- (4) Department heads and one principal assistant or chief deputy for each county department.
 When more than one principal assistant or chief deputy
 is mandated by law, all such positions shall be in the
 unclassified service;
 (5) Members of boards and commissions

appointed by the board of county commissioners;
(6) Persons employed in a professional or scientific capacity to make or conduct a temporary and special investigation or examination on behalf of the board of county commissioners;

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(7) Attorneys;

(8) Physicians;

(9) Employees of the division of public health and welfare and civil defense who are covered by the State Merit System; and

(9) (10) Deputy sheriffs.

Nothing in <u>such</u> sections 23-2517 to 23-2533 shall be construed as precluding the appointing authority from filling any positions in the unclassified service in the manner in which positions in the classified service are filled.

Sec. 2. That original section 23-2519, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, is repealed.

Sec. 3. Since an emergency exists, this act shall be in full force and take effect, from and after its passage and approval, according to law.