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RESOLUTION No. 513-19

SUPPORTING ASSEMBLY BILL 5 & SENATE BILL 5 CIVILIAN CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS PROTECTIVE STATUS

WHEREAS, Marinette County created the civilian correctional officer classification in 1980's and began the transition from a jail staffed by deputy sheriffs to civilian correctional officers at that time; and

WHEREAS, civilian correctional officers do not meet the principal duties test that 51% or more of their duties consist of active law enforcement duties as set forth in Wis. Stat. § 40.02(48)(a) as interpreted by Wisconsin Appellate Court Decisions; and

WHEREAS, civilian correctional officers are classified as general employees and state prison guards are classified as protective service under the Wisconsin Retirement System; and

WHEREAS, the duties of a civilian correctional officer and state prison guard for supervising and disciplining inmates are similar; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Marinette County Board of Supervisors supports the adoption of Assembly Bill 5 and Senate Bill 5 to change the state law to allow civilian correctional officers to elect protective status under the Wisconsin Retirement System with all costs of electing this classification to be the responsibility of the employee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Marinette County Board of Supervisors directs the County Clerk to forward this resolution to the governor, assembly members and senators representing Marinette County and the Wisconsin Counties Association.

Approved this 28th day of May 2019 by a majority of a quorum of the Marinette County Board of Supervisors.



Mark Anderson, Chairperson



Kathy Brandt, Clerk

Submitted by: Administrative Committee – May 15, 2019