

**SIERRA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS'
AGENDA TRANSMITTAL & RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**

MEETING DATE: DEPARTMENT: PHONE NUMBER: REQUESTED BY:	TYPE OF AGENDA ITEM: REGULAR CONSENT TIMED SUPPORTIVE DOCUMENT ATTACHED: RESOLUTION MEMO AGREEMENT OTHER _____
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CLERK OF THE BOARD

DATE

2026 NEW LAWS

Notes: All laws in effect Jan 1, 2026, unless noted. Over 2,000 introduced this legislative year with 794 signed. Bills below are partial list of most relevant to general county business and probation/justice system operations. Information only.

GENERAL

SB524- *Artificial Intelligence (AI) Use in Law Enforcement Reports*

Requires all Law Enforcement (LE) agencies to have a policy to identify all AI information in formal reports/drafts and retain drafts.

AB 572- *Notifications to Family of Use of Force*

Requires all LE and prosecutorial agencies to have policy by 2027 to clearly identify staff along with other information regarding status of family member at request for interview with family of person(s) seriously injured or killed in a use of force. New GC 7287.

AB 847- *Civilian Law Enforcement Oversight Boards*

Makes confidential personnel records available to such boards for LE and custodial officers during investigations/proceedings of conduct. Requires confidentiality and closed sessions for such boards to review. Amends GC 25303.7 and PC 832.7.

AB 992- *Law Enforcement Officer (LEO) Education Requirements*

Requires an associate's degree, BS/BA degree, Modern Policing Degree, or Professional Policing Certification within 36 months of POST certification by Jan 1, 2031. Establishes the Statewide Law Enforcement Recruitment Task Force, with the goal of identifying and recruiting candidates for law enforcement agencies. Excludes probation officers.

SB 385- *Modern Policing Degree*

Repeals the requirement for POST and Chanselor of State Community Colleges to develop plan for Modern Policing Degree, citing a need to alleviate pressure on law enforcement recruitment, absent clarification on degree requirements, and to take effect immediately.

AB 1067- *PEPRA*

Adds GC 7522.76. Applies to all elected and appointed government officials. Requires an employer to refer suspected criminal law violations to LE. If convicted of a felony arising out of the performance of duties an employee must forfeit all benefits. Requires employer to continue criminal investigation if the employee resigns/retires during an investigation or in lieu of termination.

AB 1178- *Protections for LE Confidential Records*

Amends PC 832.7 to extend protections requiring a court order to not withhold a disclosure of name, rank, photo, or likeness contained in confidential records for certain LE personnel including undercover, those assigned to federal or state taskforces, those who have received death threats due to employment, terrorism enforcement and any family members.

AB 1388- *LE Settlement Agreements*

Prohibits agreements that involve destruction or concealment of records. All such agreements are deemed void and subject to Public Records request (PRA).

SB 447- *Worker's Compensation Health Benefits/ Dependent Minors*

Extends Worker's Compensation Health Benefits for Dependent Minors from age 21 to 26. Applies to specified 830 PC LE and fire fighters. Updates Labor Code 4856.

SB 459- *Disclosure of LE Group Therapy*

Permits LE to refuse disclosure of communications between officer and peer support and/or crisis helpline, or group therapy sessions. Exclusions for any criminal proceeding.

SB 513- *Personnel Records*

Extends accessibility of records for current and former employees to access their training and education records. Amends Labor Code 1198.5.

SB 627- *LE Masks "No Secret Police Act"*

Creates an infraction/ misdemeanor statute for LE officers wearing a face mask to conceal identity while operating in CA under newly defined 185.5 PC duties. LE defined as those who are employed by a city, county, or other local agency, and any officer or agent of a federal law enforcement agency or law enforcement agency of another state, or any person acting on behalf of a federal law enforcement agency or agency of another state. Excludes State LE. Other limited exclusions. Requires department policy by July 1, 2026. Created GC Chapter 17.45.

SB 805- *LE Identification (ID) "No Vigilantes Act"*

Creates misdemeanor statute for nonuniformed LE personnel operating in CA to display ID with agency name and name and/or badge number. Requires departments to create and publicly post policy for non-uniformed officers to display agency, name and/or badge number. Some exemptions. Policy must address the visible identification of sworn personnel, including a purpose statement affirming the agency's commitment to specified

principles including transparency, accountability, and public trust, and a requirement for sworn personnel to visibly display identification and for specified exceptions. Exempts personnel of any agency from the crime for not displaying identification if an agency maintains a policy pursuant to these provisions. Also expands criteria and penalty for impersonating an officer.

AB 1213- Restitution Priority

Codifies 1203.4 PC requiring that restitution is paid first out of all monies received before all other fines and fees.

AB 451- LE Policy, Restraining Orders and Firearms

Adds new PC 13667 requiring the adoption of policy and standards for enforcing firearm relinquishment by January 1, 2027. Exempts probation officers. Subject to the Commission on State Mandates to determine reimbursements.

AB 468- State of Emergency/ Evacuation Crimes

Recasts the crime of looting to include first degree burglary, 2nd degree burglary, grand theft, trespass, and theft from a vehicle, when those offenses are committed in an evacuation zone (including warning). Increased penalties, minimum sentences and mandates for community service when probation is granted. Includes any residential dwelling units in such an area for a period of one year after the evacuation order, or up to 3 years if the property is undergoing construction.

AB 561- Restraining Order Submissions

Operable Jan 1, 2027. Allows for electronic submissions of requests and remote appearances for those seeking a RO.

AB 1036- Post Sentence Discovery

Increases access to post sentence discovery in felony cases.

AB 348- Full Service Partnership

Effective Jan 1, 2027. Adds WIC 5887 to extend services to those with serious mental illness, housing issues, those transitioning back to community from long term residential treatment, those transitioning back to community from 6 months or more of jail/prison, and those with 5 or more 5150 WIC detentions in last 5 years. Excludes when in conflict with MediCAL or court order.

SB 27- CARE Act

Modifies eligibility to include misdemeanor incompetent to stand trial (IST).

AB 247- CDCR Fire Crew Pay

Increases the inmate payrate to \$7.25/hour when assigned to a fire. Also applied to youth offender Pine Grove program.

AB 1269- Inmate Death Notifications “Wakiesha’s Law”

Requires the county or city jail to notify all people covered by the medical release of information and next of kin forms within 24 hours of the death of a person incarcerated in the county or city jail. Subject to the Commission on State Mandates to determine reimbursements.

AB 438- (Hadwick) Authorized emergency Vehicles

Permits CHP to issue an emergency vehicle permit to any vehicle owned by a county, city, or city and county office of emergency services only while that vehicle is being used by a public employee who is employed by the office in responding to any disaster.

SB 707- Brown Act

Updates the Ralph M. Brown Act to enhance public access and participation in local government meetings.

Aims to modernize the law to reflect technological advancements and improve public engagement.

Permanently allows members of legislative bodies to use internet social media platforms to engage with the public, provided they do not deliberate among themselves on these platforms. This change aims to enhance transparency and accessibility.

Mandates that local agencies provide reasonable accommodation for members with disabilities, allowing them to participate in meetings remotely. This includes using both audio and video technology unless an exception is warranted due to their disability.

New requirements on "eligible legislative bodies" (such as city councils in larger jurisdictions) to promote public accessibility, language equity, and community outreach. Includes translating meeting agendas into applicable languages and ensuring public access to meetings through various platforms. Takes effect on July 1, 2026

AB 339- Local Public Employee Organizations Notifications

Requires no less than 45 days notice to employee organizations of department intent to contract for any services that are within the scope of such employees.

SB 580- Attorney general “Model” policies

Requires the Attorney General, on or before July 1, 2026, to publish model policies relating to interaction with immigration enforcement, consistent with federal and state law, and to publish guidance and recommendations for databases operated by state and local agencies to limit the availability of information in those databases for the purposes of immigration enforcement, consistent with federal and state law. Adds GC 12532.5. Requires a local policy by Jan 1, 2027. Subject to the Commission on State Mandates to determine reimbursements.

ADULT

AB 321- Misdemeanor Sentencing, Court Authority

Court (Judicial) may reduce all charged “wobblers” to a misdemeanor on own motion or with motion of other party prior to trial.

AB 366- Extension of Ignition Interlock Requirement

Extends ignition interlock option with restricted license and requirement of DUI related offenses until 2033.

AB 379- Prostitution

Increases penalty for solicitation of a minor if under 16 or under 18 and a victim of human trafficking. Additional penalty for age gap of over 3 years. Requires an offender no fee education program on human trafficking and child exploitation. Creates a Survivor of Human Trafficking Fund.

AB 1087- Probation Terms, Vehicular Manslaughter

Increases probation term for offenders to 3,4 or 5 years for vehicular manslaughter with intoxication. Prior limitation to 2 year per AB 1950.

JUVENILE

SB 413- County Counsel Review of Juvenile Records

Expands accessibility of county counsel or other local government entity attorneys to review juvenile records for certain delinquency, dependency hearings, and civil hearings. Subject to the Commission on State Mandates to determine reimbursements.

AB 383- Firearm Relinquishment

Adds firearm and ammunition relinquishment and prohibitions to juvenile cases when adjudicated of felonies, serious and violent offenses and other specified crimes until age

30. Probation to facilitate search of records and relinquishment as in adult cases. Amends PC 1524, 29615, and 29810. Subject to the Commission on State Mandates to determine reimbursements.

SB 680- *Statutory Rape*

Adds PC 261.5(c) and (d) requiring PC 290 sex offender registration for offenses involving a 10+ year age gap.

AB 1376- *Juvenile Wardship Probation Term Limit*

Limits the length of probation term for juvenile cases to 1 year. Provides for 6 month extensions with court hearing and court finding that an extension past 1 year is in the best interests of the minor and the community at preponderance of evidence standard. Community interests set at WIC 202 which focuses on public safety. Exemptions for detained youth (halls, ranches, camps, and placements, etc.). No limit to offense or restitution.

AB 349- *Foster Care Rates*

Increases foster care rate tying to California Necessities Index (CNI) along with other program rates.

AB 562- *Foster Care Family Finding*

Applicable to Child Welfare. Requires retention of date and other information potential relatives were sought and an annual review of such.

AB 896- *Foster Care Placement Transition Planning*

Applicable to Child Welfare. Adds to WIC 16010.11.

AB 890- *Non-Minor Dependents*

Revises the conditions to which a non-minor dependent (NMD) can be transferred to another jurisdiction. Establishes WIC 17.1(f).

SB 624- *Non-Minor Dependents*

California Department of Social Services (CDSS) to create guidance , practices and resources for counties to assist NMD with federal and state taxes.

AB 461- *Truancy*

Repeals parental prosecution for failure to ensure school attendance of children per PC 270.1.

AB 243- *Financial Aid for Dependents*

Establishes a process for obtaining financial aid for dependents of the court. Education Code 66020.8 and WIC 826.9.

AB 542- *Continuations Schools and Workforce Development*

Requires workforce development courses in continuation schools.

AB 1230- *School Expulsion Rehabilitation Plans*

Requires schools to formulate a plan for rehabilitation and reinstatement into school at time of expulsion.

SB 848- *School Employee Misconduct*

Amends EC 32282 requiring increased training and plans for staff to protect against student abuse.

AB 118- *DHSS and Juvenile Justice Realignment (JJRBG) per SB 823 Budget Trailer Bill*

Precludes county board of supervisors (BOS) from authorizing Juvenile Justice Realignment Block Grant (JJRBG) funds to any juvenile facility that was “unsuitable” per OYCR the year prior. Also authorizes the BOS to withhold funding from any entity that operated an unsuitable facility.

Revises allocation formula for the JJRBG from state to counties. Maintains minimum allotment of \$250,000 per year.

Requires new components of annual plans to include descriptions of Less Restrictive Placements (LRP’s) used by county and a summary of all expenditures.

AB 102- *Main Budget Trailer Bill*

Allocates an additional \$31.5 million to the Department of Social Services (DSS) for foster families/providers to cover increased costs of insurance and an additional \$9 million for Family Urgent Responses System (FURS).