

## CCJJ COMMISSION MINUTES – APPROVED

<b>Committee</b>	<b>Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice</b>
<b>Date</b>	Monday, February 2nd, 2026
<b>Time</b>	12 PM – 2 PM
<b>Location</b>	Hybrid Zoom Virtual meeting – CCJJ Large Conference
<b>Members Present</b>	<p><u>In-Person Attendance</u>: Sheriff Chad Jensen, Michael Dreschel (for Ron Gordon), Jared Garcia, Commissioner Beau Mason, Stewart Young, Chief Danielle Croyle (for Chief Craig Black), Sheriff Chad Jensen, Blake Hills, Pam Vickrey, Daniel Meza (for JJOC), Chief Sol Oberg, Richard Mauro, Carl Hollan (for Ryan Robinson), Mark Moffat, Tom Ross, April Graham</p> <p><u>Virtual Attendance</u>: Eric Tadehara (for Tracey Gruber), Amanda Bollinger, Judge Jeremiah Humes, Judge Ryan Peters</p>
<b>Staff &amp; Visitors</b>	<p><u>Staff</u>: Danica Bodley, Elizabeth Klc, Dan Strong, Van Nguyen, Matthew Barraza, Marlesse Jones, Tiffany Nguyen (virtual), Bud Powell (virtual), John Draney (virtual), Chyleen Richey (virtual), Katie Fox (virtual),</p> <p><u>Visitors</u>: Brett Robinson, Steve Burton, William Weatherford Clayton (virtual), Brittany Karzen, Chief Brian Gwilliam (virtual), Kim Gibb (virtual), Paige Crandall (virtual), Amanda Martin (virtual), Hannah Gorski (virtual)</p>
<b>Agenda Item</b>	<b>Welcome and Approval of Meeting Minutes – Sheriff Chad Jensen, Commission Chair</b>
<b>Notes</b>	<p>Tom Ross brings the commission meeting into session. Sheriff Chad Jensen was running late and will join the meeting shortly.</p> <p>Tom Ross introduces Judge Jeremiah Humes, who is replacing Judge Camille Neider for the District Court judge vacancy on the commission.</p> <p>The commission reviewed the previous meeting minutes from January 26th, 2026.</p> <p><b>Motion</b>: Commissioner Beau Mason motions for the commission to approve the minutes as presented. Stewart Young seconds the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p>
<b>Agenda Item</b>	<b>2026 Legislative Session Bill Review and Vote</b>
<b>Notes</b>	<p>The Commission reviewed the Consent List for week 3 of the 2026 Legislative Session.</p> <p><b>Motion</b>: Richard Mauro motions for the commission to adopt the positions of the consent list for week three. Chief Sol Oberg seconds the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p> <p>The February 2 meeting focused on "crunch time" deliberations regarding the 2026 Legislative Session. The Commission evaluated a high volume of bills affecting sentencing, juvenile justice, offender supervision, and inmate welfare.</p> <p><b><u><a href="#">SB0027S1 Assault or Threat of Violence Amendments</a></u></b>  <i>Sub 1 expands to military service member and families.</i></p> <p><b>Motion</b>: Stewart Young motions for the commission to <u>support</u> Senate Bill 27 Sub 01. Chief Danielle Croyle (for Chief Craig Black) seconds the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p> <p><b><u><a href="#">SB0030S1 Human Trafficking, Exploitation, and Smuggling Amendments</a></u></b>  <i>"Sub 1 adds new offenses:</i>  <i>Knowingly benefiting from forced labor: Second degree felony</i>  <i>Recklessly benefiting from forced labor: Third degree felony</i></p>

*Second degree felony if it's a second or subsequent conviction"*

**Motion:** Mark Moffat motions for the commission to support Senate Bill 3 Sub 01. Stewart Young seconds the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**HB0271 Multi-Agency Joint Strike Force Modifications**

*Adds metal theft to the list of criminal activity addressed by the multi-agency joint strike force operated by the Office of the Attorney General and Department of Public Safety and removes the requirement that the joint strike force's annual report include data on catalytic converter thefts and arrests*

**Motion:** Mark Moffat motions for the commission to support House Bill 271. Commissioner Beau Mason seconds the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**HB0122 Pregnant and Postpartum Inmate Amendments**

*Requires the UDC and each county jail to report to CCJJ:*

- the number of known pregnant inmates in custody; and*
- the number of inmates in custody who are parents to a minor child;*

*Prohibits the restraining of an inmate during postpartum recovery unless an individualized determination of certain security risks is made that details why the restraints are necessary.*

*increases the period of time that the department and each county jail is required to provide access to a social worker to an inmate who is pregnant, or who has recently given birth, from six weeks to 12 weeks, to help the inmate:*

- arrange childcare;*
- establish a reunification plan; and*
- establish a substance abuse treatment plan, if needed*

Requires reporting on pregnant inmates and those with minor children; restricts the use of restraints during postpartum recovery. Law enforcement and corrections representatives expressed concern over the "12-week" restraint prohibition and the fiscal impact of tracking minor children for all inmates, not just females.

**Motion:** Jared Garcia motions for the commission to hold on House Bill 122 for further discussion and action.

**Motion:** Jared Garcia took a friendly amendment to support in concept for House Bill 122. Mark Moffat seconds the motion.

**HB0205S1 Substance Use Intervention Amendments**

*1st sub: removes the OOOPP grant piece and amends provisions related to the operation of a syringe exchange program, including to prohibit the distribution of drug paraphernalia other than syringes*

**Motion:** Richard Mauro motions for the commission to support in concept for House Bill 205 Sub 01. Mark Moffat seconds the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**HB0135 Cohabitant Definition Amendments**

*Clarifies the definition of cohabitant to include an individual who is a minor child if the individual's parent committed the criminal offense or if the individual who committed the offense is a minor child, an individual who is the parent or stepparent of the minor child or an individual living with the minor child's parent as if a stepparent to the minor child.*

**Motion:** Chief Danielle Croyle (for Chief Craig Black) motions for the commission to support House Bill 135. Richard Mauro seconds the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**HB0110S1 Offender Supervision Amendments**

*Sub 1 allows a court to order AP&P to supervise individuals convicted of class B misdemeanors; omits a lot of prohibitions in original bill*

*Requires the board, if considering whether to parole an offender who has previously been paroled and had the offender's parole terminated due to a new criminal offense, to consider the facts and circumstances of the new criminal offense in determining whether the offender should be paroled again;*

*Allows the board, in certain circumstances, to only consider a pardon for an offender who has committed an offense that requires the offender to register on the Sex, Kidnap, and Child Abuse Offender Registry;*

*Adds to the requirements for the board to meet before the board may parole an offender before the offender's minimum term of imprisonment has been met."*

Blake Hills explains that the second substitution will be coming out shortly to address any concerning and confusing language.

**Motion:** Blake Hills motions for the commission to support House Bill 110 Sub 01. Mark Moffat seconds the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**HB0213S1 Criminal Proceedings Amendments**

*grants a criminal defendant a right to be brought to trial within 90 days if in pretrial detention and 180 days otherwise; authorizes a court to extend a time period under certain circumstances; provides that certain time periods are excluded in calculating the time period by which a defendant has a right to be brought to trial; requires a court to take certain actions if a time period expires*

Noting the high fiscal notes and concerns regarding judicial resources led the Commission to favor a pilot program approach or further interim study.

**Motion:** Mark Moffat motions for the commission to hold on House Bill 213 Sub 01 for further discussion and action. Richard Mauro seconds the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**HB0091 Presumption of Indigency Amendments**

*Requires a court to presume that an individual is indigent if the individual is currently incarcerated and the court determines that the period of the individual's incarceration totals or will total at least 10 consecutive days.*

Prosecutors mentioned that the sponsor may not be pursuing this bill further due to lack of movement.

**Motion:** Mark Moffat motions for the commission to hold for House Bill 91 for further discussion and action. Carl Hollan (for Ryan Robinson) seconds the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

***Sheriff Chad Jensen has joined the meeting.***

***Eric Tadehara (for Tracy Gruber) has left the meeting.***

***Michael Dreschel (for Ron Gordon) stepped out of the meeting before a final motion could be taken for House Bill 48 Substitute 01.***

### **HB0048S1 Criminal and Juvenile Justice Changes**

*1st sub includes clarification of adult recidivism metric and reporting, clarifies school-based offense and recidivism, and prevents jail as alternative to detention for preadjudication kids under 18*

HB48 remains a flashpoint, particularly regarding "provisional housing" for 18- and 19-year-olds and recidivism metrics. While supported in concept, there are deep concerns regarding the safety and rehabilitation of young offenders moved to adult prisons.

Commission leadership emphasized the need to accelerate bill reviews as the session enters its third week, urging members to avoid repetitive debate to ensure all priority legislation is addressed. The Commission adopted formal support in concept for measures addressing human trafficking, metal theft, and firearm safe harbor programs, while placing holds on complex "speedy trial" and "subsequent prosecution" legislation.

**Motion:** Tom Ross motions for the commission to support in concept for House Bill 48 Sub 01. Chief Sol Oberg seconds the motion. The motion **passed**. (11-2-2)

**Support(s):** Eleven (11) Supports; Jared Garcia, Commissioner Beau Mason, Stewart Young, Chief Danielle Croyle (for Chief Craig Black), Sheriff Chad Jensen, Blake Hills, Chief Sol Oberg, Carl Hollan (for Ryan Robinson), Tom Ross, Amanda Bollinger, April Graham

**Opposition(s):** Two (2) Oppositions; Richard Mauro, Mark Moffat

**Abstention(s):** Two (2) Abstentions; Pam Vickrey, Daniel Meza

### **HB0274S1 Sentencing Commission Amendments**

*1st sub: ►requires the Sentencing Commission to give consideration to certain objectives when determining a recommended sentence or supervision length for the adult sentencing and supervision length guidelines; ►requires the Sentencing Commission, before November 1, 2026, to revise and review the adult sentencing and supervision length guidelines for certain offenses; ►addresses the factors and information that a sentencing court is required to consider when sentencing an individual*

Executive Director Tom Ross noted the body exists at the "mercy of the legislature," but emphasized that the guidelines work is an "impossible task" that requires a balanced, functional body.

**Motion:** Sheriff Chad Jensne motions for the commission to hold on House Bill 274 Sub 01. Mark Moffat seconds the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

***Sheriff Chad Jensen stepped out of the meeting before a final motion could be taken for Senate Bill 86.***

#### **SB0086 Firearm Safe Harbor Amendments**

*Requires a law enforcement agency to collect and report anonymous, aggregate data regarding the use of the firearm safe harbor program to CCJJ;*

*Requires the CCJJ to receive, compile, and provide aggregate data to LECJ Interim Committee*

**Motion:** Mark Moffat motions for the commission to support Senate Bill 86. Commissioner Beau Mason seconds the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

***Michael Dreschedl (for Ron Gordon) has rejoined the meeting.  
Sheriff Chad Jensen has rejoined the meeting.***

#### **HB0188 Juvenile Justice Amendments**

*Codifies supreme court case TLO for search and seizures in schools, defines juvenile recidivism, school based referrals/offense, adds specific drug-related offenses to NJ ineligibility list, prohibits expungement of a juvenile record if the petitioner has been adjudicated or convicted of certain drug offenses within two years before the petition for expungement is filed*

The Juvenile Justice Oversight Committee (JJOC) opposed this bill due to concerns over search and seizure codification in schools and restrictions on expungement for certain drug offenses. The Commission opted to hold the bill to allow for further dialogue with the sponsor and Senator Weiler.

**Motion:** Mark Moffat motions for the commission to oppose House Bill 188.

**Motion:** Mark Moffat took a friendly amendment to hold on House Bill 188 for further discussion and action. Richard Mauro seconds the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

#### **HB0230S3 Offender Amendments**

*Sub 3 requires a substance abuse treatment program to share the results of a participant's drug test with the participant's supervising probation or parole officer and other specified individuals under certain conditions; amends health information disclosure provisions for individuals who are on probation or parole*

	<p><b>Motion:</b> Sheriff Chad Jensen motions for the commission to <u>support</u> House Bill 230 Sub 03. Jared Garcia seconds the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p> <p><b><u>SB0093 Corrections Amendments</u></b>  <i>Amends the criminal offense (3F) of unlawful operation of an unmanned aircraft near a correctional facility to include prohibiting an individual from removing any item from inside the property of a correctional facility;</i></p> <p><i>Removes unpaid probation and parole supervision fees from an offender's criminal accounts receivable and requires UDC to turn any unpaid supervision fees to the Office of State Debt Collection</i></p> <p><b>Motion:</b> Sheriff Chad Jensen motions for the commission to <u>support</u> Senate Bill 93. Jared Garcia seconds the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p> <p><b><u>SB0092 Prosecution Amendments</u></b>  <i>Amends the prohibition on a subsequent prosecution, creating an exception allowing a subsequent homicide prosecution if an individual was previously prosecuted for an offense resulting in bodily injury to an individual and the individual later died as a proximate result of the injury, if the death occurred after the original prosecution resulted in a conviction, dismissal, or acquittal.</i></p> <p>The bill has an amendment (not yet adopted) to remove acquittal (considered unconstitutional). Members raised concerns regarding "double jeopardy," the admissibility of prior plea statements, and the lack of a time limit between the initial injury and subsequent death.</p> <p><b>Motion:</b> Mark Moffat motions for the commission to <u>hold</u> on Senate Bill 92 for further discussion and action. Chief Sol Oberg seconds the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p>
<b>Agenda Item</b>	<b>Other Business</b>
<b>Notes</b>	No other business was addressed.
<b>Agenda Item</b>	<b>Public Comment</b>
<b>Notes</b>	The Sheriffs will discuss House Bill 188 with Senator Weiler on JJYS' concerns.
<b>Agenda Item</b>	<b>Adjourn</b>
<b>Notes</b>	<p><b>Motion:</b> April Graham motions for the commission to adjourn. Chief Sol Oberg seconds the motion. The motion passed unanimously.  <b>The commission adjourns.</b></p> <p>The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 9th, 2026 from Noon-2 PM.  Location: <u>Anchor Location:</u> CCJJ Offices  Zoom link: <a href="https://meet.google.com/vin-mowx-gkx">meet.google.com/vin-mowx-gkx</a></p>
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