



Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice
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CCJJ 2009 End of the Legislative Session Agenda Update.
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The Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice (CCJJ) approved several recommendations that are incorporated into the following legislation. Each of the bills proposed passed the legislative process and are either signed or awaiting signature.

HB 1262: Concerning the Issuance of a Summons Instead of an Arrest Warrant in Certain Circumstances.

Sponsors: Representative Casso and Senator Morse

Bill Summary: Permits the issuance of a summons instead of an arrest warrant for certain crimes without the consent of the district attorney. Prohibits the court from issuing a summons instead of an arrest warrant for certain crimes if a law enforcement officer presents a written basis for believing that the defendant is a flight or public safety risk. **04/03/2009 Signed**

HB 1263: Concerning Time Computation While An Inmate Is Incarcerated In A County Jail.

Sponsors: Representative Casso and Senator Carroll

Bill Summary: Clarifies how time credits are calculated for award purposes on a 30 day period, rather than each month. Creates the possibility for jail inmates to be awarded earned time in addition to good time. Entitles a person who is confined pending a parole revocation hearing to credit for the entire period of such confinement against any period of reincarceration imposed in the parole revocation proceeding. **04/03/2009 Signed**

HB 1264: Concerning the Costs Associated With College-Level Academic Programs for State Inmates

Sponsors: Representative Benefield and Senator Hudak

Bill Summary: Requires that costs associated with a college-level academic program for an inmate shall be borne by the inmate unless he or she receives financial aid or scholarships for the program. **04/16/2009 Governor Action - Signed**

HB 1266: Concerning the Repeal of the Loss of Driving Privileges As A Penalty For Certain Crimes

Sponsors: Representative McCann and Senator Carroll

Bill Summary: Eliminates the loss of driving privileges as a penalty upon a conviction of certain criminal offenses. This includes first offense *minor in possession of alcohol* charges. **05/05/2009 House Considered Senate Amendments - Result was to Concur - Repassed and sent to the Governor.**

Juvenile Legislation from the CCJJ:

HB 1044 Concerning the Children's Code as it relates to expungement of juvenile records.

Sponsors Representative Ellen Roberts and Senator John Morse

Bill Summary: Clarifies that a juvenile direct filed on may expunge his or her record id adjudicated in juvenile court. 03/18/2009 Signed

HB 1122 Concerning age limits in the Youthful Offender System.

Sponsors: Representative Roberts and Senator John Morse.

Bill Summary: defines a young adult offender to be someone who is between 18 and under 21 at the time the crime is committed and under 21 at the time of sentencing to YOS. 04/02/2009 Signed