

The following are current and past recommendations (in chronological order) that have been approved by CCJJ and that are pending legislative action:

FY11-SO #17. Address inconsistencies in the unlawful sexual contact statute (Statutory)

Recommendation FY11-SO #17. Repeal the current mandatory prison sentence provisions for commission of unlawful sexual contact by force, threat, or intimidation (§18-3-404(3), C.R.S.).

FY13-CS #03. Eliminate Colorado’s Extraordinary Risk Statute (Statutory)

Recommendation FY13-CS#3. Colorado’s Revised Statutes pertaining to Crimes of Violence, Extraordinary Risk Crimes and Aggravated Ranges are complex, convoluted and often duplicative. The CCJJ Comprehensive Sentencing Task Force recommends several statutory changes.

FY15-CS #01. Early discharge from Lifetime Supervision Probation for sex offenders due to disability or incapacitation (Statutory)

Recommendation FY15-CS #01. Amend §18-1.3-1008, C.R.S. to provide that offenders sentenced to the Lifetime Supervision Act, who suffer from a severe disability to the extent they are deemed incapacitated and do not present an unacceptable level of risk to public safety, may petition the court for early discharge from probation supervision. Also, if necessary, make conforming amendments to the Colorado Victims’ Rights Act regarding a “critical stage” for victim notification.

FY16-RE #01. Update the Statutory Conditions of Parole to Reflect Contemporary and Evidence Based Common Practices (Statutory)

Recommendation FY16-RE #01. Update the statute governing parole conditions (§17-2-201, C.R.S.) to give the parole board and community parole officers discretion to select individualized conditions of parole.

FY17-CC #01. Purpose of Community Corrections (Statutory)

Recommendation FY17-CC #01. Codify the mission and purpose of Community Corrections in language similar to that of Parole as enacted by SB 16-1215 (§17-22.5-102.5, C.R.S.).

FY17-CC #02. New Community Corrections Reentry Referral Process (Statutory)

Recommendation FY17-CC #02. Revise five elements of the process to refer inmates to community corrections: 1) COV and Non-COV offender referrals, 2) Community referral packets, 3) COV and Non-COV offender program acceptance/approval process, 4) community corrections boards utilize structured, research-based decision-making, & 5) Repeal the statutory definition of Intensive Supervision Program-Inmate.

FY17-CC #03. Community Reentry Process Procedures (Statutory & Policy)

Recommendation FY17-CC #03. Revise three elements within the reentry process: 1) timing of and criteria for the reentry process, 2) the definition of “successful community corrections completion” and 3) the eligibility for achievement earned time.

FY17-MH #01. Strengthen a Community-Based Crisis Response (Statutory)

Recommendation FY17-MH #01. Position the Colorado Crisis Services System as the comprehensive response to behavioral health emergencies in all Colorado communities by making the following reforms: a) Strengthen and enhance existing crisis services and resources; b) Amend §27-60-103, C.R.S. to clarify the intent of the crisis system; c) Undertake conforming regulatory changes to crisis system contracting; and d) Commit resources to incentivize the development and expansion of the crisis services provider network.

FY17-MH #02. Changes to Emergency Mental Health Commitment Statute (Statutory)

Recommendation FY17-MH #02. Amend §27-65-105, C.R.S., to remove jails and correctional facilities as a placement option for individuals on an M1 (emergency mental health) hold. Introduce language that allows intervening professionals to transport individuals to an outpatient facility for immediate evaluation for treatment based on evidence of need.