Colorado Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice

2021 Legislation Update

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CCJJ Recommendations - "CCJJ Bills"	Bill/Sponsors	Status
FY21-SR #01 Revise misdemeanor sentencing and offenses. Amend §16-4-103 (3) (b), C.R.S. to Amends, appends, deletes and replaces several provisions of statute related to misdemeanor sentencing and offenses. This recommendation comprises three elements with an extensive array of associated statutory revisions and supporting documents to: Change the misdemeanor sentencing scheme, Align current misdemeanor crimes, and Reclassify felony offenses.	S.B. 2021-271 Sen. Gonzales/ Gardner	Introduced: (5/13/2021) Assigned: Sen. Judiciary
FY20-AD #02 Revise youthful offender system statutes. Expand the operational flexibility of the Youthful Offender System (YOS) program in the Department of Corrections; clarify the time credits that are awarded in YOS cases when a revocation occurs; address issues regarding payment of certain fees in YOS cases; and modify training requirements for DOC staff who work with inmates that are placed in YOS facilities.	S.B. 2021-146 Sen. Lee & Rep. Bacon	Introduced: 3/1/2021 Passed: Sen. Jud. (5/6/21) Passed: Sen. Appr. (5/14/21) Back to Senate Floor Consent Calendar
FY20-DR #01 Create and implement a process for automatically sealing criminal conviction records for drug offenses. Create, implement, and fund a process that will permit the automatic sealing of criminal conviction records for drug offenses. The State Court Administrator's Office (SCAO), the Colorado Bureau of Investigations (CBI), and each district attorney's office will implement procedures to evaluate cases that qualify for automatic sealing and will automatically seal eligible cases without associated fees, a Motion or a Petition to Seal being filed by the defendant.	H.B. 2021-1214 Sens. Coleman/Lee & Rep. Weissman	Introduced: 3/5/2021 Passed: House (5/11/21)on to Senate Hearing: Sen. Finance (5/19/21)

CCJJ Recommendations - Non-"CCJJ Bills"	Bill/Sponsors	Status
FY08-BP #50 Verifiable identification for all offenders leaving incarceration. Whenever feasible, ensure every offender leaving jail and prison may obtain a driver's license or verifiable state identification upon release to the community. [Bill not initiated by CCJJ but reflects aspects of this previous recommendation.]	SB21-153 Sens. Coleman/Cooke & Reps. Ortiz/Tipper	Introduced: 3/01/21 Gov Signed: 5/6/2021

The list of CCJJ recommendations above includes those with suggestions for statutory modifications relevant to the FY 2021 Legislative session. The Commission also produces non-statutory, policy-oriented recommendations and monitors their implementation status. All of the recommendations approved by the Commission and the implementation status of each may be found at, ccjj.colorado.gov/ccjj-recs.

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