

**LEGISLATIVE INTERIM COMMITTEES**  
**May 21, 2008**

<b>JUDICIARY INTERIM COMMITTEE</b>	
Bill Title/Subject Matter:	<b>Violation of Protective Order</b>
Legislator(s) – Sponsor:	<b>Sen. McCoy</b>
Interested Parties:	Domestic Violence Council
Code Reference:	Amends 76-5-108
<p><b>Description:</b>            Language addressing notice and due process.            Gives authority to the court to amend or dismiss a protective order if it finds there has been repeated acts that the petitioner no longer fears the respondent.</p> <p>2008 Legislative Session: SB 154</p>	
Bill Title/Subject Matter:	<b>Treatment of the Mentally Ill Offender</b>
Legislator(s) – Sponsor:	
Interested Parties:	CCJJ; City Prosecutor’s Office
Code Reference:	
<p><b>Description:</b>            Issues regarding the mentally ill offender including: costs of incarceration; long-term needs in prison and jail; re-entry into society; lack of continuity of resource management for treatment. Ninety-five of prisoners will re-enter prison/jail after violations. Statewide concern with mentally ill and lack of adequate services.</p> <p>Community resources have not materialized to serve this population. Many states divert the individuals into more appropriate treatment programs including mobile crisis teams and receiving centers. An assessment tool is needed with ongoing treatment for offenders booked into jail and/or diverted to an appropriate program. Housing is an essential component and acute services are needed.</p>	
<b>LAW ENFORCEMENT AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE INTERIM COMMITTEE</b>	
Bill Title/Subject Matter:	<b>Crime of Strangulation or Smothering</b>
Legislator(s) – Sponsor:	<b>Rep. Seelig</b>
Interested Parties:	Utah Prosecution Council; Domestic Violence Council, Office of the Medical Examiner
Code Reference:	Amends 76-5-103 Aggravated Assault
<p><b>Description:</b>            Amends the offense of aggravated assault to include the offenses of intentionally impeding a person's circulation by applying pressure to a person's neck or throat or impeding a person's normal breathing; and provides that these offenses of strangulation or smothering are third degree felonies.</p> <p>2008 Legislative Session: HB 65</p>	