

LEGISLATIVE INTERIM COMMITTEES -- NOVEMBER 2014

Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice	
Bill Title/Subject Matter:	Pew Justice Reinvestment Initiative Update
Legislator(s) –Sponsor:	
Interested Parties:	Ron Gordon, Executive Director, CCJJ Connie Utada, Senior Associate, Pew Charitable Trust Len Engel, Managing Associate, Pew Charitable Trust
Code Reference:	
<p>Description: The Justice Reinvestment Report was presented to the Committee (report is available online at www.justice.utah.gov).</p> <p><i>[Action: Information only.]</i></p>	
Bill Title/Subject Matter:	Inmate Permanent Identification
Legislator(s) –Sponsor:	
Interested Parties:	Jerry Pope, Director Institutional Operations, UDOC Nanette Rolfe, Director, Driver License
Code Reference:	
<p>Description: Mr. Pope and Ms. Rolfe provided an update on the inmates’ identification card project. Over 6,000 inmates have been helped by the in-house DL office (prison location); with 190 individuals receiving permanent ID cards; 426 temporary ID cards; and 125 opting out of program because they currently have an ID card or license. Temporary ID is provided if they have a photo in the system and they receive a temporary paper good for 6 months that allows them to get SS card and birth certificate.</p> <p><i>[Action: Information only.]</i></p>	
Bill Title/Subject Matter:	Death Penalty Procedure Amendments
Legislator(s) –Sponsor:	Rep. Paul Ray
Interested Parties:	
Code Reference:	2015FL-0007/006
<p>Description: <i>Draft Legislation.</i> Provides that if the state is unable to lawfully obtain the substances necessary to conduct an execution by lethal intravenous injection 30 or more days prior to the date specified in the warrant, the death penalty shall be carried out by firing squad.</p> <p><i>[Action: Rep. Layton made a MOTION to remove the word “reasonably” from line 11. PASSED Rep Ray made a MOTION to pass out favorably as a committee bill. PASSED with 2 OPPOSING.]</i></p>	
Bill Title/Subject Matter:	Firearms on University Campuses
Legislator(s) –Sponsor:	
Interested Parties:	John Fellows, General Counsel, LRG Esther Chelsea-McCarty, Associate General Counsel, LRG
Code Reference:	UCA §
<p>Description: <i>This item was not heard.</i></p>	
Bill Title/Subject Matter:	Amount and Use of Concealed Weapons Fees Collected
Legislator(s) –Sponsor:	
Interested Parties:	Alice Moffat, Chief, Bureau of Criminal Identification Jason Chapman, Supervisor, BCI
Code Reference:	UCA § 24-1-19(11)
<p>Description: Ms. Moffat presented the following information for FY 2014: there were 101,640 concealed firearm permit (CFP) applications (a 32,126 decrease from FY 2013); there were 285 CFP revocations; there were 2337 CFP suspensions; and 884 CFP denials. Revenue from applications, renewals, and instructor fees, etc., was \$4,194,620. Revocation is permanent (i.e., felony convictions); suspension is temporary (i.e., tickets/warrants)</p> <p><i>[Action: Information only.]</i></p>	

Bill Title/Subject Matter:	Restitution for Incarceration Costs	
Legislator(s) –Sponsor:	Rep. Paul Ray	
Interested Parties:		
Code Reference:	UCA § 77-38a-404	
	<p>Description: Rep. Ray proposed a re-ordering of the restitution priority list to allow the sheriff to assess costs on inmates’ commissary accounts for payment on days spent in jail. Recently the Davis County Attorney opined that the assessment/fee did not amount to restitution and having the jail commander remove funds from the inmates’ account violated Utah law.</p> <p>Draft Legislation: Requires that the county sheriff provide written notice to a defendant of incarceration costs assessed under current state law. Provides that a defendant who is subject to incarceration costs may request a hearing for the court to determine if the costs should be reduced or waived under current statutory standards. Provides that incarceration costs are to be paid after victim restitution costs.</p> <p>[Action: Information only.]</p>	
JUDICIARY		
Bill Title/Subject Matter:	Utah Expungement Act Amendments	
Legislator(s)—Sponsor:	Rep. Brian M. Greene	
Interested Parties:		
Code Reference:	2015FL-0210/004	
	<p>Descriptions: Draft Legislation. Requires that an administrative agency remove information regarding expunged convictions from public databases. Creates a statement of legislative intent for expungement. Provides a stated purpose for expungement.</p> <p>[Action: Rep. Peterson made a Motion to pass the bill with a favorable recommendation. PASSED with 1 OPPOSING]</p>	
Bill Title/Subject Matter:	Utah Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice Policy Study	
Legislator(s) –Sponsor:		
Interested Parties:	<p>Ron Gordon, Executive Director, CCJJ Connie Utada, Senior Associate, Pew Charitable Trust Len Engel, Managing Associate, Pew Charitable Trust</p>	
Code Reference:		
	<p>Description: The Justice Reinvestment Report was presented to the Committee (report is available online at www.justice.utah.gov).</p> <p>[Action: Information only.]</p>	
Bill Title/Subject Matter:	Judicial Discretion in Sentencing Discussion	
Legislator(s) –Sponsor:	Rep. Kay L. McIff	
Interested Parties:		
Code Reference:		
	<p>Description:</p> <p>[Action: This item was not heard.]</p>	
Bill Title/Subject Matter:	Electronic Warrants	
Legislator(s) –Sponsor:		
Interested Parties:	Chad Platt, Deputy District Attorney, Salt Lake County DA’s Office	
Code Reference:		
	<p>Description: Regarding prior discussions on administrative subpoenas and e-warrants, Legislators requested that Mr. Platt provide a presentation on the E-warrant system in Utah.</p> <p>[Action: Information only.]</p>	

GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS	
Bill Title/Subject Matter:	Draft Legislation “Campaign Finance Amendments”
Legislator(s) –Sponsor:	Rep. Brian S. King
Interested Parties:	
Code Reference:	2015FL-0029/006
	<p>Description: Establishes contribution limits. Makes it a class B misdemeanor to violate the contribution limits described in this bill. <i>[Action: Rep. Fisher made a motion to approve as a committee bill. FAILED]</i></p>
PUBLIC UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY	
Bill Title/Subject Matter:	Prohibition on Electronic Data Collection Assistance (NSA Data Center)
Legislator(s) –Sponsor:	Rep. Marc K. Roberts
Interested Parties:	
Code Reference:	2015FL-0545/003
	<p>Description: Directs the following entities and their employees to refuse support to any federal agency which collects electronic data within this state: political subdivisions; and contractors who have contracted with the state, political subdivisions, or state agencies. Provides that any citizen may bring an action to enforce the refusal. Provides penalties for violations (non-criminal; compliance related penalties). <i>[Action: No vote; information only.]</i></p>
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES	
Bill Title/Subject Matter:	Controlled Substances Advisory Committee
Legislator(s) –Sponsor:	
Interested Parties:	
Code Reference:	
	<p>Description: The Committee received a report from Dr. Sundwall on the Controlled Substances Advisory Committee. Discussion centered around the need to keep adding to the list every year, especially as it relates to spice. <i>[Action: Information only.]</i></p>