2019 APPROVED WORK PLAN AND MEETING SCHEDULE

for the

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CRIMINAL JUSTICE REFORM SUBCOMMITTEE

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Work Plan

The New Mexico Legislative Council created the Courts, Corrections and Justice Committee (CCJ) and the Criminal Justice Reform Subcommittee of the CCJ on April 29, 2019. During the 2019 interim and as time permits, the CCJ will receive presentations on the following:

1. criminal justice reform, including the Criminal Justice Reform Subcommittee's work on sentencing reform and recommended legislation:

- evaluating criminal penalties, specifically second degree murder and human trafficking;
- reviewing criminal penalties outside the Criminal Code, including penalties provided in the Motor Vehicle Code or imposed by the Department of Game and Fish;
- revising criminal penalties with aims of reducing recidivism and increasing rehabilitation;
- reviewing the collateral consequences of a conviction;
- considering the behavioral health of individuals affected by the criminal law system;
- deterring metal theft; and
- reviewing statutes of limitations;
- 2. specific proposed reforms to probation and parole, including input from the Administrative Office of the Courts, the Administrative Office of the District Attorneys, the Corrections Department, the New Mexico District Attorney Association, the Office of the Attorney General, the Parole Board and the Public Defender Department;
- 3. pretrial detention, pretrial assessments, preliminary hearings and grand juries;
- 4. legislation related to firearms, including regulation of firearms in cases involving protection orders;
- 5. progress of the Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women Task Force;
- 6. independent redistricting, updates regarding election legislation that passed last session, accessibility of polling places and felon disenfranchisement;
- 7. wildlife trafficking;
- 8. immigration and border issues, including detention of asylum seekers within the state, state sanctuary policy, state oversight of immigration detention facilities and children in these facilities and the presence of United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement officials at state courts;
- 9. recreational cannabis;
- 10. towing regulation;
- 11. adequacy of file retention by district attorneys and public defenders regarding habeas corpus cases;

- 12. an update from the Administrative Office of the Courts, including discussion of:
 - staffing and staff training;
 - programs;
 - unified budget, budget priorities and legislative priorities;
 - court updates;
 - case management systems;
 - compliance with the Criminal Record Expungement Act;
 - statewide magistrate court caseloads; and
 - efficiency and effectiveness of the judges pro tempore;
- 13. an update from the Public Defender Department, including discussion of:
 - · caseloads:
 - staffing and staff training; and
 - programs, budgets and budget priorities in each district and legislative priorities;
- 14. an update from the Administrative Office of the District Attorneys and the New Mexico District Attorney Association, including discussion of:
 - caseloads;
 - staffing and staff training; and
 - programs, budgets and budget priorities in each district and legislative priorities;
- 15. an update from the Children, Youth and Families Department, including discussion of:
 - staffing and staff training;
 - programs, budgets and budget priorities and legislative priorities;
 - juvenile justice and the school-to-prison pipeline; and
 - the Protective Services Division and its case management;
- 16. an update from the Corrections Department, including discussion of:
 - staffing and staff training;
 - programs, budgets and budget priorities and legislative priorities;
 - probation and parole;
 - gender-specific policies and practices of the department, including treatment of pregnant and lactating inmates;
 - inmate housing and facilities;
 - the use of isolated confinement and the department's compliance with the Restricted Housing Act, including any applicable reports;
 - the use of private prisons, contracts with private entities and the economy of running a correctional facility;
 - the status of efforts to reduce recidivism, increase rehabilitation and improve public safety using the New Mexico Results First Initiative; and
 - compliance with the Criminal Record Expungement Act;

- 17. an update from the Department of Public Safety, including discussion of:
 - updates regarding the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act;
 - staffing and staff training;
 - programs, budgets and budget priorities and legislative priorities;
 - data collection;
 - federal funding; and
 - compliance with the Criminal Record Expungement Act;
- 18. an update from the New Mexico Sentencing Commission, including discussion of:
 - the 2019 New Mexico Prison Population Forecast; and
 - the status of the criminal justice data-sharing network required by Laws 2019, Chapter 192;
- 19. an update from New Mexico Counties, including discussion of issues affecting county jails;
- 20. studies requested by legislative memorials, including:
 - House Memorial 82 (2018), Encourage Pro Bono Legal Services;
 - House Memorial 89 (2018), Services for Victims of Human Trafficking;
 - House Memorial 106 (2018), Corrections Department Health Care System; and
 - Senate Memorial 38 (2017), Domestic Violence Task Force;
- 21. legislation for committee consideration; and
- 22. as necessary, examination of other issues relevant to courts, corrections and justice and criminal justice reform.

Additionally, the CCJ will hold a joint meeting with the Legislative Health and Human Services Committee, discussing issues involving public health and the criminal justice system, including:

- guardianship;
- law enforcement officers and their interactions with persons with disabilities or mental health conditions;
- inmate health care;
- the Uniform Child Witness Protective Measures Act; and
- the medical consequences of incarceration.

The Criminal Justice Reform Subcommittee will focus on reforms to the state's sentencing laws and procedures.

Courts, Corrections and Justice Committee 2019 Approved Meeting Schedule

Date Location
June 7 Santa Fe

July 8-10 Santa Fe

August 12-13 Albuquerque/Grants

September 3-4 Albuquerque

September 23-24 Las Cruces

October 9-10 Socorro/Albuquerque (Joint meeting

with the Legislative Health and Human Services Committee on October 9)

November 25-26 Santa Fe

Criminal Justice Reform Subcommittee 2019 Approved Meeting Schedule

<u>Date</u> <u>Location</u> July 29 <u>Albuquerque</u>

August 20-21 Ruidoso

October 15-16 Los Lunas

October 22 Albuquerque

November 5-6 Santa Fe