

**MINUTES
of the
FOURTH MEETING
of the
COURTS, CORRECTIONS AND JUSTICE COMMITTEE**

**September 13, 2021
University of New Mexico Science & Technology Park Rotunda
801 University Boulevard SE
Park North, First Floor-East
Albuquerque**

The fourth meeting of the Courts, Corrections and Justice Committee was called to order by Representative Gail Chasey, co-chair, on September 13, 2021 at 9:15 a.m. in the University of New Mexico Science & Technology Park Rotunda in Albuquerque.

Present

Sen. Joseph Cervantes, Co-Chair
Rep. Gail Chasey, Co-Chair
Rep. Eliseo Lee Alcon
Rep. Karen C. Bash
Sen. Daniel A. Ivey-Soto
Sen. Bill B. O'Neill
Sen. Cliff R. Pirtle
Rep. William "Bill" R. Rehm
Rep. Debra M. Sariñana
Sen. Antoinette Sedillo Lopez
Rep. Christine Trujillo

Advisory Members

Rep. Alonzo Baldonado
Rep. Kelly K. Fajardo
Sen. Linda M. Lopez
Rep. Georgene Louis
Sen. Mimi Stewart

Absent

Rep. Zachary J. Cook
Sen. Mark Moores

Rep. Deborah A. Armstrong
Sen. Gregory A. Baca
Rep. Micaela Lara Cadena
Sen. Jacob R. Candelaria
Rep. Christine Chandler
Sen. Katy M. Duhigg
Rep. Doreen Y. Gallegos
Rep. T. Ryan Lane
Rep. Antonio Maestas
Rep. Roger E. Montoya
Rep. Andrea Romero
Rep. Patricia Roybal Caballero
Sen. Peter Wirth

Staff

Elisabeth Johnson, Staff Attorney, Legislative Council Service (LCS)
Sean Dolan, Staff Attorney, LCS
Erin Bond, Research Assistant, LCS

Guests

The guest list is in the meeting file.

Handouts

Handouts and other written testimony are in the meeting file and are posted on the legislature's website.

References to Webcast

The time reference noted next to each agenda item in this document is cross-referenced to the webcast of the committee meeting, which can be found at www.nmlegis.gov, under the "Webcast" tab. The presentations made and committee discussions for agenda items can be found on the recorded webcast for this meeting.

Violence Intervention Program Legislation and Mayor's Albuquerque Metro Crime Initiative (9:27 a.m.)

Damon Martinez, senior policy advisor, City of Albuquerque; Gerri Bachicha, manager, Violence Intervention Program, City of Albuquerque; and Luke Languit, commander, Albuquerque Police Department, provided the committee with a presentation relating to Violence Intervention Program legislation and the mayor's Albuquerque Metro Crime Initiative.

Several members expressed frustration with not being able to learn about the progress of the Albuquerque Police Department under the federal consent decree due to confidentiality requirements and asked presenters to identify a point of contact in the City of Albuquerque to address the committee's concerns.

Update from the Secretary of State (10:59 a.m.)

Maggie Toulouse Oliver, secretary of state, and Mandy Vigil, elections director, Office of the Secretary of State, provided the committee with an update on the Office of the Secretary of State.

Animal Abuse and Human Violence (1:46 p.m.)

Jessica Johnson, J.D., chief government affairs officer, Animal Protection Voters; Tammy Fiebelkorn, founder and president, Positive Links; and M. Jenny Edwards, criminologist, provided the committee with a presentation regarding animal abuse and human violence. The presentation materials can be found here:

<https://www.nmlegis.gov/Committee/Handouts?CommitteeCode=CCJ&Date=9/13/2021&ItemNumber=3>.

Approval of Minutes (2:35 p.m.)

The committee unanimously approved the minutes of the August 9-11, 2021 meeting.

Shoplifting Issues for Business Owners (3:00 p.m.)

Patrick Block, New Mexico Retail Association; Ruben Baca, New Mexico Petroleum Marketers Association, and New Mexico Grocers Association; Eric Jones, lieutenant, Albuquerque Police Department; Celinda Gonzales, manager, State and Local Government Relations, The Home Depot; and Jamie Bourne, corporate manager, Asset Protection Investigations and Organized Retail Crime, The Home Depot, provided the committee with a presentation regarding shoplifting issues for business owners. The presentation materials can be found here:

<https://www.nmlegis.gov/Committee/Handouts?CommitteeCode=CCJ&Date=9/13/2021&ItemNumber=4>.

Public Comment

The committee received no public comment.

Adjournment

There being no further business before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.