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## Legislation and Policy in the News:

US Supreme Court Limits
Police Power to Seize Private
Property; The New York
Times, February 21, 2019

Governor Says No Executions
Without Court-Backed Drugs;
Sentinel-Tribune, February
27, 2019

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## Legislative News: Two Week Review

- <u>SB 6</u> (Sens. Coley, Hottinger) **Temporary Child Hosting**, passed out of the Senate, 2.26.19. The bill both authorizes and regulates temporary child hosting with host families.
- <u>SB 15</u> (Sen. Thomas) **BMV Lists & Jury Pools**, introduced 2.12.19. The bill requires that jury pools be derived from lists of both BMV lists and voter rolls. Currently, use of either or both lists is permitted.
- <u>SB 43</u> (Sens. Antonio, Kunze) **Domestic Violence Penalties, Firearms, and Strangulation**, introduced 2.12.19. The bill contains penalty increases and firearms restrictions for domestic violence offenders. The bill also makes strangulation in a domestic violence situation an F3. The bill explicitly states domestic violence includes dating partners.
- <u>SB 47</u> (Sen. Eklund) **SORN Reclassification**, introduced 2.21.19. The bill creates a procedure for certain tier II sex offenders convicted of unlawful sexual conduct with a minor to petition a court for reclassification or removal from the sex offender registry.
- <u>SB 54</u> (Sens. Eklund, Williams) **Death Penalty & Mental Illness**, introduced 2.19.19. The bill prohibits imposing the death penalty for aggravated murder when the offender had a serious mental illness at the time of the offense.
- <u>SB 55</u> (Sen. Gavorone) **Drug Trafficking Penalties**, introduced 2.19.19. The bill enhances penalties for certain drug trafficking offenses committed in the vicinity of a community addiction services provider.
- <u>SB 58</u> (Sen. Gavorone) **Nonviolent Criminals with Mental Illness**, introduced 2.21.19. The bill expresses the intent of the General Assembly to reform restoration of competency of individuals with serious mental illness who are charged with nonviolent crimes and to provide treatment alternatives.
- <u>SB 68</u> (Sen. Williams) **License Reinstatement & Community Service**, introduced 2.26.19. Current law allows a court to allow community service in place of court costs; the bill would allow a court to do the same for BMV driver's license reinstatement fees when the court determines that an offender cannot reasonably pay the fees.
- <u>HB 87</u> (Rep. Antani) **OVI Record Sealing**, introduced 2.20.19. The bill allows for sealing charges dismissed through intervention in lieu of conviction when those charges are connected to a conviction for operating a vehicle under the influence.
- <u>HB 106</u> (Reps. Scherer, Sheehy) **Probationary Driver's License**, introduced 2.26.19. The bill raises the minimum age at which a minor may obtain a probationary driver's license.
- Mark your calendars! The OJC Court Tech Conference is taking place **4.16.19** with presentations on e-reminders to reduce warrants and cloud-based video conferencing. Court personnel can register online. The **Judicial-Legislative Exchange** will take place on **5.1.19**, followed by a reception welcoming the new General Assembly. If you are interested in participating in the Exchange or attending the reception, contact <u>Justin.Long@sc.ohio.gov</u>.

For a complete list of bills & the latest issue of BillBoard, please visit the OJC website.



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