From: Kalina, Brett on behalf of FGG, CLERB

To: Kalina, Brett

Subject: Media Update 10-1-25

Date: Wednesday, October 1, 2025 1:16:04 PM

Supervisors take final step to approve first-of-its-kind civilian oversight of jail healthcare providers

https://www.sandiegouniontribune.com/2025/09/30/supervisors-take-final-step-to-approve-first-of-its-kind-civilian-oversight-of-jail-healthcare-providers/

PBS Newshour (7:25 mark)

https://youtu.be/3Bq8Yah50k8?list=PL2BEE055A0FBFA666

San Diego County Supervisors to vote on strengthening law enforcement oversight board – Telemundo San Diego (20)

From: Kalina, Brett on behalf of FGG, CLERB

To: Kalina, Brett

Subject: Update: AB 847 signed by Governor Newsom (in effect 1/1/26)

Date: Tuesday, October 7, 2025 11:18:11 AM



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Monday, October 6, 2025

Governor's Press Office: (916) 445-4571

Governor Newsom issues legislative update 10.6.25

SACRAMENTO – Governor Gavin Newsom today announced that he has signed the following bills:

- AB 39 by Assemblymember Rick Chavez Zbur (D-Los Angeles) –
 General plans: Local Electrification Planning Act.
- AB 91 by Assemblymember John Harabedian (D-Pasadena) State and local agencies: demographic data.
- AB 268 by Assemblymember Ash Kalra (D-San Jose) State holidays:
 Diwali.
- AB 293 by Assemblymember Steve Bennett (D-Ventura) Groundwater sustainability agency: transparency.

- AB 344 by Assemblymember Avelino Valencia (D-Anaheim) –
 Alcoholic beverages: beer price posting and marketing regulations: definitions.
- AB 365 by Assemblymember Pilar Schiavo (D-Santa Clarita) The Justin Kropp Safety Act: electrical utilities: AED availability at worksites.
- AB 383 by Assemblymember Laurie Davies (R-Laguna Niguel) –
 Firearms: prohibition: minors.
- AB 447 by Assemblymember Mark González (D-Los Angeles) –
 Emergency room patient prescriptions.
- AB 450 by Assemblymember Juan Carrillo (D-Palmdale) Public social services: support for older and aging immigrants.
- AB 454 by Assemblymember Ash Kalra (D- San Jose) Migratory birds: California Migratory Bird Protection Act.
- AB 471 by Assemblymember Gregg Hart (D-Santa Barbara) County air pollution control districts: Antelope Valley Air Quality
 Management District: board members: compensation.
- AB 486 by Assemblymember Tom Lackey (R-Palmdale) Crimes: burglary tools.
- AB 492 by Assemblymember Avelino Valencia (D-Anaheim) Alcohol and drug programs: licensing.
- AB 498 by Assemblymember Michelle Rodriguez (D-Ontario) Selfservice storage facilities: lien notices: email.
- AB 499 by Assemblymember Liz Ortega (D-San Leandro) Robert F.
 Kennedy Farm Workers Medical Plan.
- AB 516 by Assemblymember Ash Kalra (D-San Jose) Registered veterinary technicians and veterinary assistants: scope of practice.
- AB 531 by Assemblymember Chris Rogers (D-Santa Rosa) Geothermal powerplants and projects: certification and environmental review.
- AB 535 by Assemblymember Pilar Schiavo (D-Santa Clarita) –

Threatening a witness: assisting a prosecution.

- AB 543 by Assemblymember Mark González (D-Los Angeles) Medi-Cal: field medicine.
- AB 606 by Assemblymember Sharon Quirk-Silva (D-Fullerton) –
 Certificated employees: professional services credential: out-of-state applicants.
- AB 607 by Assemblymember Celeste Rodriguez (D-San Fernando) –
 CalWORKs: Home Visiting Program.
- AB 627 by Assemblymember Catherine Stefani (D-San Francisco) –
 California Health Facilities Financing Authority Act.
- AB 648 by Assemblymember Rick Chavez Zbur (D-Los Angeles) –
 Community colleges: housing: local zoning regulations: exemption.
- AB 653 by Assemblymember Tom Lackey (R-Palmdale) Child abuse: mandated reporters: talent agents, managers, and coaches.
- AB 759 by Assemblymember Avelino Valencia (D-Anaheim) –
 Architects: architects-in-training.
- AB 779 by Assemblymember Tom Lackey (R-Palmdale) Child welfare services: domestic violence consultant pilot program.
- AB 841 by Assemblymember Darshana Patel (D-San Diego) State Fire Marshal: personal protective equipment: battery fires.
- AB 847 by Assemblymember Dr. LaShae Sharp-Collins (D-San Diego) –
 Peace officers: confidentiality of records.
- AB 894 by Assemblymember Juan Carrillo (D-Palmdale) General acute care hospitals: patient directories.
- AB 900 by Assemblymember Diane Papan (D-San Mateo) Environmental protection: 30x30 goals: land conservation: stewardship.
- AB 969 by Assemblymember Celeste Rodriguez (D-San Fernando) CalWORKs: family violence option and gender-based violence information.
- AB 1005 by Assemblymember Laurie Davies (R-Laguna Niguel) –

- Drowning prevention: public schools: informational materials.
- AB 1067 by Assemblymember Sharon Quirk-Silva (D-Fullerton) –
 Public employees' retirement: felony convictions.
- AB 1108 by Assemblymember Gregg Hart (D-Santa Barbara) County officers: coroners: in-custody deaths.
- AB 1119 by Assemblymember Darshana Patel (D-San Diego) –
 Teacher credentialing: dual credentialing.
- AB 1139 by Assemblymember Chris Rogers (D-Santa Rosa) –
 California Environmental Quality Act: exemption: public access: nonmotorized recreation.
- AB 1181 by Assemblymember Matt Haney (D-San Francisco) –
 Firefighters: personal protective equipment.
- AB 1239 by Assemblymember Diane Dixon (R-Newport Beach) Human trafficking: data.
- AB 1258 by Assemblymember Ash Kalra (D-San Jose) Deferred entry of judgment pilot program.
- AB 1280 by Assemblymember Robert Garcia (D-Rancho Cucamonga)
 Energy.
- AB 1410 by Assemblymember Robert Garcia (D-Rancho Cucamonga)
 Utilities: service outages and updates: alerts.
- AB 1417 by Assemblymember Catherine Stefani (D-San Francisco) Energy: Voluntary Offshore Wind and Coastal Resources Protection Program: community capacity funding activities and grants.
- AB 1418 by Assemblymember Pilar Schiavo (D-Santa Clarita) –
 Department of Health Care Access and Information.
- AB 1479 by Assemblymember David Tangipa (R-Fresno) County road commissioner: Counties of Madera and Tehama.
- AB 1495 by Assemblymember Avelino Valencia (D-Anaheim) Home health aides: training and certification.
- AB 1520 by the Committee on Water, Parks, and Wildlife Public resources: conservation.

- SB 83 by Senator Tom Umberg (D-Santa Ana) State Department of Health Care Services: substance abuse treatment: disclosures.
- SB 85 by Senator Tom Umberg (D-Santa Ana) Civil actions: service of summons.
- SB 230 by Senator John Laird (D-Santa Cruz) Workers' compensation: firefighters.
- SB 253 by Senator Tom Umberg (D-Santa Ana) State Bar of California.
- SB 276 by Senator Scott Wiener (D-San Francisco) City and County of San Francisco: merchandising sales.
- SB 283 by Senator John Laird (D-Santa Cruz) Energy storage systems.
- SB 306 by Senator Josh Becker (D-Menlo Park) Health care coverage: prior authorizations.
- SB 351 by Senator Christopher Cabaldon (D-Yolo) Health facilities.
- SB 376 by Senator Suzette Martinez Valladares (R-Lancaster) –
 Incomplete gift nongrantor trusts: Personal Income Tax Law.
- SB 378 by Senator Scott Wiener (D-San Francisco) Online marketplaces: illicit cannabis: reporting and liability.
- SB 395 by Senator Scott Wiener (D-San Francisco) Alcoholic beverages: additional licenses: hospitality zone.
- SB 402 by Senator Suzette Martinez Valladares (R-Lancaster) Health care coverage: autism.
- SB 412 by Senator Monique Limón (D-Santa Barbara) Home care aides.
- SB 480 by Senator Bob Archuleta (D-Pico Rivera) Autonomous vehicles
- SB 484 by Senator John Laird (D-Santa Cruz) Coastal resources: coastal development permits: infill area categorical exclusion.
- SB 506 by the Committee on Transportation Transportation:

omnibus bill.

- SB 530 by Senator Laura Richardson (D-South Bay) Medi-Cal: time and distance standards.
- SB 567 by Senator Monique Limón (D-Santa Barbara) Gravity-Based Energy Storage Well Pilot Program.
- SB 593 by Senator Melissa Hurtado (D-Bakersfield) Electrical corporations: significant voltage-related incidents: studies.
- SB 640 by Senator Christopher Cabaldon (D-Yolo) Public postsecondary education: admission, transfer, and enrollment.
- SB 697 by Senator John Laird (D-Santa Cruz) Determination of water rights: stream system.
- SB 702 by Senator Monique Limón (D-Santa Barbara) Legislative and gubernatorial appointments: report.
- SB 727 by Senator Mike McGuire (D-Santa Rosa) The Great Redwood Trail Agency.
- SB 744 by Senator Christopher Cabaldon (D-Yolo) Accrediting agencies.
- SB 763 by Senator Melissa Hurtado (D-Bakersfield) Conspiracy against trade: punishment.
- SB 800 by Senator Elosie Gómez Reyes (D-Colton) State bridges and overpasses: suicide prevention.

The Governor also announced that he has vetoed the following bills:

- AB 512 by Assemblymember John Harabedian (D-Pasadena) Health care coverage: prior authorization. A veto message can be found here.
- AB 527 by Assemblymember Diane Papan (D-San Mateo) California Environmental Quality Act: geothermal exploratory projects: geothermal field development projects: enhanced geothermal system wells. A veto message can be found here.
- AB 574 by Assemblymember Mark González (D-Los Angeles) Prior authorization: physical therapy. A veto message can be found <u>here</u>.

- AB 615 by Assemblymember Laurie Davies (R-Laguna Niguel) Power facilities: emergency response and action plans. A veto message can be found here.
- AB 682 by Assemblymember Liz Ortega (D-San Leandro) Health care coverage reporting. A veto message can be found here.
- AB 738 by Assemblymember David Tangipa (R-Fresno) Energy: building standards: photovoltaic requirements. A veto message can be found here.
- AB 1074 by Assemblymember Darshana Patel (D-San Diego) –
 CalWORKs. A veto message can be found here.
- AB 1210 by Assemblymember Tom Lackey (R-Palmdale) Postrelease community supervision. A veto message can be found <u>here</u>.
- AB 1224 by Assemblymember Avelino Valencia (D-Anaheim) –
 Teacher credentialing: substitute teachers: days of service. A veto
 message can be found <u>here</u>.
- AB 1324 by Assemblymember Dr. LaShae Sharp-Collins (D-San Diego)
 CalWORKs. A veto message can be found here.
- AB 1378 by Assemblymember Chris Rogers (D-Santa Rosa) Child welfare services: prevention services: Indian tribes. A veto message can be found here.
- AB 1430 by Assemblymember Steve Bennett (D-Ventura) County recorders: fees. A veto message can be found here.
- SB 5 by Senator Christopher Cabaldon (D-Yolo) Enhanced infrastructure financing districts and community revitalization and investment areas: allocation of taxes: agricultural land exclusion. A veto message can be found here.
- SB 317 by Senator Melissa Hurtado (D-Bakersfield) Wastewater surveillance. A veto message can be found <u>here</u>.
- SB 717 by Senator Laura Richardson (D-South Bay) Ken Maddy
 California Cancer Registry. A veto message can be found <u>here</u>.

For full text of the bills, visit: http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov.



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To: <u>Kalina, Brett</u>

Subject: SDSO Update 10-6-25

Date: Wednesday, October 8, 2025 1:51:02 PM

Update - Death Investigation

Name Release Update - In-Custody Death - San Diego Central Jail

Post Date: 10/06/2025 3:33 PM

The San Diego County Sheriff's Office is releasing details following the death of a 55-year-old man, Eugene Rodman Smith, who was in custody at the San Diego Central Jail and died at a local hospital. San Diego County Sheriff's Homicide investigators were notified of Mr. Smith's passing at the San Diego Central Jail.

On Wednesday, October 1, 2025, at around 11:55 p.m., Sheriff's Deputies at the San Diego Central Jail were performing their routine duties when they discovered Mr. Smith unresponsive inside a holding cell. He was alone inside the cell. Upon observing the situation, the deputies immediately activated 9-1-1, requested additional assistance from the facility's medical staff, and began life saving measures.

Paramedics and the San Diego Fire Department assumed lifesaving measures upon their arrival and Mr. Smith was transported to a local hospital. Despite their efforts, Mr. Smith was pronounced deceased at the hospital on October 2, 2025, at about 1:15 a.m.

Mr. Smith, a resident of the city of San Diego, had been in Sheriff's custody since September 29, 2025, for public intoxication.

The San Diego Sheriff's Office extends our sympathies to the Smith family and all those affected by his passing. A Sheriff's Family Liaison Officer will continue to support the family as they navigate through this difficult time.

The Citizens' Law Enforcement Review Board (CLERB) was notified regarding the incident. As is the protocol for all in-custody deaths, the Sheriff's Homicide Unit responded and is conducting a thorough investigation to ensure all aspects of this incident are examined. The cause and manner of death will be determined by the Medical Examiner's Office.

To view the Press Release dated October 2, 2025 click <u>Here</u>.

Media Contact: Juan Marquez, Lieutenant

<u>Juan.Marquez@sdsheriff.org</u> Homicide Unit / 858-285-6330

Click here for more information

To: <u>Kalina, Brett</u>

Subject: CLERB Job Posting - Public Relations Specialist **Date:** Thursday, October 9, 2025 4:12:07 PM

 $\underline{https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/sdcounty/jobs/5082747/public-outreach-specialist-25233709}$

To: Kalina, Brett

Subject: Media Update 10-12-25

Date: Sunday, October 12, 2025 4:21:36 PM

Newsom signs bill giving civilian oversight boards access to police personnel files

https://www.sandiegouniontribune.com/2025/10/10/newsom-signs-bill-giving-civilian-oversight-boards-access-to-police-personnel-files/

From: Kalina, Brett on behalf of CLERB

To: <u>Kalina, Brett</u>

Subject: Board of Supervisors Update

Date: Wednesday, October 15, 2025 2:06:08 PM

Attachments: ESTABLISHING THE OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL v7.pdf

Board Members -

Please see the attached Board Letter from District 4. It is on the agenda for the October 21 BOS meeting. It is currently scheduled as the third item (#19) after consent calendar.

To: <u>Kalina, Brett</u>

Subject: Media Update 10-18-25

Date: Saturday, October 18, 2025 3:55:26 PM

Montgomery Steppe proposes new oversight body for Sheriff's Office

https://www.sandiegouniontribune.com/2025/10/18/montgomery-steppe-proposes-new-oversight-body-for-sheriffs-office/

To: <u>Kalina, Brett</u>

Subject: Media Update 1020-25

Date: Monday, October 20, 2025 9:28:21 AM

SDSO to use new robot for de-escalation in high-risk situations

From: Kalina, Brett on behalf of CLERB

To: Kalina, Brett

Subject: SDSO Policy Recommendation Responses 10-20-25

Date:Monday, October 20, 2025 11:45:00 AMAttachments:23-079 PR DEP Notification Kuykendall.pdf
External Response to CLERB case 23-079.msg

22-056 Signed respond to CLERB Holding Cell search.pdf

22-056 Att DTU Tactical Tip - Clearing Holding Cells of Contraband.pdf

Board Members -

Please see the attached two Policy Recommendation responses. They will be attached to next month's agenda.

To: <u>Kalina, Brett</u>

Subject: Media Update 10-22-25

Date: Wednesday, October 22, 2025 8:24:56 AM

Supervisors move forward with plan for new oversight of sheriff

https://www.sandiegouniontribune.com/2025/10/21/supervisors-move-forward-with-plan-for-new-oversight-of-sheriff/

Statement on Proposed Oversight Body for Sheriff's Office

Sheriff opposes proposal, citing redundancy and lack of collaboration.

Post Date: 10/21/2025 7:30 PM



San Diego County Sheriff Kelly Martinez has issued a strong response to San Diego County Board of Supervisor Monica Montgomery Steppe's proposal to pursue a feasibility study for establishing an Office of Inspector General (OIG) with authority to investigate, audit, and review Sheriff's Office operations.

On Tuesday, October 21, the Board approved moving forward with the feasibility study. The Sheriff was grateful for the opportunity to speak on the proposal, especially since the Sheriff's Office was not consulted prior to the docketing of the board letter. The Sheriff's Office hopes to be meaningfully involved in future efforts to ensure its complex, dynamic systems and operations are fully understood and considered in policy decisions moving forward.

"At the end of the day, we all want the same things," said Sheriff Martinez. "We want policing and jail management in the county to be the best in the nation with community trust and support at the forefront of our efforts."

During the Board of Supervisors meeting, Sheriff Martinez emphasized that the Sheriff's Office already operates under more than twenty local, state, and federal oversight bodies, making it one of the most heavily regulated law enforcement agencies in California.

"The Sheriff's Office is already one of the most scrutinized and audited public agencies in this state," said Sheriff Martinez. "We are accountable to the Board of State and Community Corrections, the California Department of Justice, the Citizens' Law Enforcement Review Board, San Diego County Grand Jury, and many others. We must recognize that adding another layer doesn't equal more accountability — it equals more bureaucracy. Each new oversight body duplicates reviews, drains resources, and diverts time away from what

improves safety, care, and operations. It drains resources from real reform and undermines the progress our employees work tirelessly to achieve."

Sheriff Martinez noted that the Sheriff's Office takes every recommendation and finding from these oversight entities seriously, using their input to continuously shape and strengthen its operations, training, and delivery of care. Adding more oversight runs the risk of conflicting recommendations, which is concerning and puts the Sheriff in the position of deciding which laws and rules to follow.

"We don't dismiss oversight — we engage with it," Sheriff Martinez added. "Every audit, inspection, and review informs how we improve. That's how real change happens. But this proposal was advanced without any discussion, outreach, or engagement with my office — the very department it seeks to regulate. That's not good governance, that's exclusion. True transparency comes from working together to understand the challenges we face and the progress we're making, not from layering on more bureaucracy that looks like oversight but delivers no real value."

Sheriff Martinez reaffirmed the Sheriff's Office's ongoing commitment to transparency, safety, and modernization. Recent improvements in jail infrastructure, medical care, and compliance practices have been made in close partnership with the County's support and a culture shift of driving enhanced service delivery to those in our custodial care.

"The men and women of the Sheriff's Office have been driving meaningful change," Sheriff Martinez added. "Our mission is to keep San Diego County safe while strengthening trust with the communities we serve — and that requires support, not political posturing."

The Sheriff urged the Board to reject the OIG feasibility proposal and instead focus on collaborative solutions that build on the department's progress in accountability and rehabilitation.

'Like the walls are closing in': After parallel jail deaths, judge urged to limit sheriff's use of solitary confinement

https://www.sandiegouniontribune.com/2025/10/20/like-the-walls-are-closing-in-after-parallel-jail-deaths-judge-urged-to-limit-sheriffs-use-of-solitary-confinement/

To: Kalina, Brett

Subject: League of Women Voters San Diego Report

Date: Wednesday, October 22, 2025 8:58:53 AM

Attachments: LWVSD Concern over Conditions in our County Jails (1).pdf

Board Members-

Please see the attached LWVSD Report titled "Concern over conditions in our County jails." It was provided by Jeanne Brown, Chair of the Criminal Justice Group: <u>Criminal Justice - LWV San Diego</u>

** Please note that CLERB staff have not been able to independently verify <u>any</u> of the data or feasibility of recommendations presented in the report.

From: Kalina, Brett on behalf of CLERB

To: Kalina, Brett

Subject: Media Update 10-27-25

Date: Monday, October 27, 2025 1:54:40 PM

Sheriff must do more to prevent jail deaths, nonprofit finds in study. Here's what it recommends.

https://www.sandiegouniontribune.com/2025/10/26/sheriff-must-do-more-to-prevent-jail-deaths-nonprofit-finds-in-study-heres-what-it-recommends/

To: Kalina, Brett

Subject: Media Update 10-29-25

Date: Wednesday, October 29, 2025 3:08:46 PM

Please note, CLERB staff have not verified any of the media information or sources.

Statement on Jail Death Settlement

Significant changes continue to be made in county jails.

Post Date: 10/29/2025 1:00 PM



First and foremost, any loss of life in our custody is profoundly felt—these individuals are not statistics or case numbers. They are someone's family member, friend, and loved one. We take these tragedies to heart, and they deepen our commitment to ensuring that every person entrusted to our care is treated safely, humanely, and with dignity.

In March 2022, Hayden Schuck was arrested for driving under the influence of drugs and other charges. The San Diego County Medical Examiner's Office ruled the cause of his death was the result of complications of cocaine and methylenedioxymethamphetamine (MDMA) toxicity, and the manner of death was accidental.

Mr. Schuck died prior to Sheriff Kelly Martinez taking office in 2023. Since that time, significant improvements have been made to our jail system.

Much more is needed, which will require significant investment from the County of San Diego.

It is important to note that the money for the settlement will come out of the Sheriff's Office's budget. Despite this fact, the Sheriff's Office had no participation or input on the recent settlement decision by the County of San Diego.

San Diego County Jail System

With an average daily population of approximately 4,400 individuals across seven detention facilities, the San Diego County jail system is one of the largest and most complex in California. Many of the individuals in our custody arrive with serious untreated medical conditions, mental illness, or substance use disorders, making a structured and evidence-based model of healthcare essential.

Improvements To San Diego's Jails Have Been Significant

Under the leadership of Sheriff Martinez, the Sheriff's Office has implemented significant

reforms focused on accountability, expanded access to healthcare, and enhanced staff training. In collaboration with our contracted medical partners, nearly 50,000 individuals receive care within our facilities every year, and our operations align with national standards, including those established by the National Commission on Correctional Health Care (NCCHC).

Many of our detention facilities were constructed decades ago, and some continue to operate with aging infrastructure and outdated technology.

With support from the County of San Diego, we are advancing major modernization efforts, including ADA-compliance upgrades across multiple facilities and moving into the design phase to replace our oldest jail in Vista with a modern, purpose-built facility that enhances safety, healthcare delivery, and transparency.

As infrastructure funding becomes available, these older systems are being systematically replaced with modern camera platforms that support longer retention, improved coverage, and greater reliability.

Positive Results

These reforms are producing measurable results. Over the last year, San Diego County jails recorded the lowest number of in-custody deaths in more than a decade, experienced a 65 percent reduction in overdoses, and saw zero suicides in 2024; the first time that has occurred in more than 20 years.

In Conclusion

We understand and respect that litigation is an important part of accountability.

At the same time, improvements made since 2022 are improving the operations, expectations, medical processes, and technology within our jails. The Sheriff's Office remains committed to learning from the past while continuing forward progress and ensuring that past deficiencies are not repeated.

We will continue to share data, reforms, and outcomes publicly as we modernize our jail system and improve the care and conditions for every person entrusted to our custody.

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To: Kalina, Brett

Subject: Media Update 10-30-25

Date: Thursday, October 30, 2025 6:12:24 AM

County will pay \$16M over 22-year-old's death in San Diego jail, its biggest such settlement ever

https://www.sandiegouniontribune.com/2025/10/29/county-will-pay-16m-over-22-year-olds-death-in-san-diego-jail-its-biggest-such-settlement-ever/