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Legislation and Policy in the News:

[*They Shared Drugs. Someone Died. Does That Make Them Killers?; New York Times, May 25, 2018*](#)

[*Where Murders Go Unsolved; Washington Post, June 6, 2018*](#)

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Legislative News: Two Week Review

- [SB 139](#) (Sens. Eklund, Skindell) **Legal Materials**, passed by the House, 6.7.18. The bill adopts the Uniform Electronic Legal Material Act.
- [SB 263](#) (Sen. Huffman) **Notaries Public**, passed by the Senate, 6.6.18. The bill modernizes the notarial process and centralizes notary commission with the Ohio Secretary of State, which will decide who can train, test, and commission notaries.
- [HB 297](#) (Rep. Hagan) **Title Transfer Upon Death**, passed by the House, 6.7.18. The bill allows owners of a motor vehicle, watercraft, or outboard motor who have joint ownership with right of survivorship to transfer title through a transfer-on-death designation.
- [SB 307](#) (Sen. Obhof) **Rule of Construction**, introduced 6.5.18. The bill eliminates the rule of construction regarding a court's considerations in determining the intention of the legislature when a statute is ambiguous.
- [HB 365](#) (Rep. Hughes) **Indeterminate Sentencing**, substitute bill voted out of House Criminal Justice Committee, 5.23.18. The bill makes F1, F2, and some F3 prison terms indefinite with presumptive release at the minimum term; it allows DRC to keep an offender in prison up to a maximum term.
- [HB 366](#) (Rep. Gavorone) **Child Support**, House concurred in Senate amendments, 6.7.18. The bill updates the child support guidelines.
- [HB 391](#) (Rep. Merrin) **Restitution**, passed by the House, 6.7.18. The bill allows including the cost of accounting done to determine the extent of economic loss as a type of economic loss for which restitution may be granted.
- [HB 407](#) (Reps. Dever, Seitz) **Dower**, passed by the House, 6.7.18. The bill ends dower.
- [HB 411](#) (Reps. Seitz, Sykes) **Wrongful Imprisonment**, passed by the House, 6.7.18. The bill expands the ability to file a wrongful imprisonment claim by allowing for claims based on imprisonment for misdemeanors. It also addresses the Supreme Court's interpretation of the law in *Mansaray v. State* (138 Ohio St.3d 277) by allowing wrongful imprisonment claims based on error in procedure during the trial, limited to Brady violations.
- [HB 535](#) (Rep. Gavorone) **Naloxone and Naltrexone Data Reporting**, passed by the House 6.7.18. The bill requires reporting regarding overdoses and naloxone and includes naltrexone (an opiate antagonist, like Vivitrol or Revia) within the Ohio Automated Rx Reporting System (OARRS).
- [The Ohio Supreme Court](#) has released a [new grand jury video](#) and [pamphlet](#) available to all Ohio judges, courts, and schools as a way to educate potential grand jury members and the public. For more information, or to request a copy of the video, please contact Justin.Long@sc.ohio.gov.

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