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## Legislation and Policy in the News:

[Kasich to Ohio Lawmakers:  
Send Me Gun Reforms;  
Cincinnati Enquirer, August 3,  
2018](#)

[The Legislative Primer on  
Front End Justice: Mental  
Health; National Council of  
State Legislatures, August 1,  
2018](#)

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## Legislative News: Two Week Review

- **SB 1** (Sen. LaRose) **Fentanyl**, signed by the Governor, 8.1.18. The bill increases penalties for drug trafficking and possession offenses that involve fentanyl. It will go into effect 90 days after the Governor's signature.
- **SB 66** (Sens. Eklund, Tavares) **Community Corrections**, signed by the Governor, 7.30.18. The bill removes the 1-year minimum for F4 or F5 community control sanctions, modifies calculation of confinement credits, and expands ILC and record-sealing eligibility. The bill goes into effect on 10.28.18.
- **HB 95** (Reps. Hughes, Seitz) **Distracted Driving**, signed by the Governor, 7.30.18. The bill creates an additional penalty for distracted driving and clarifies that certain electronic device violations are allied offenses of similar import. The bill goes into effect on 10.28.18.
- **SB 127** (Sen. LaRose) **Vehicle Pullover**, signed by the Governor, 7.30.18. The bill requires motor vehicles to slow down or pull over when approaching a stationary waste collection or recycling vehicle on a roadside.
- **HB 336** (Rep. Barnes) **Reinstatement Fee Amnesty**, signed by Governor 8.3.18. The bill creates a one-time amnesty for reinstatement fees for certain types of license suspensions.
- On 6.1.18, the Governor signed an Executive Order amending [O.A.C. Rule 5160-1-17.8](#) to address recent Medicaid decisions prohibiting medical practitioners with past felonies from getting Medicaid reimbursement for medical services. The amended rule will now require that a medical practitioner complete probation and get a CQE to be eligible for Medicaid reimbursement. [Information about CQEs](#) is available on the OJC website.
- The Supreme Court is seeking comment on **proposed rule amendments**. [Supr. R. 10 through 10.5](#) addresses protection order forms. Public comment will be accepted through 10.12.18.
- As of 7.1.18, the **TCAP** provisions from HB 49 are mandatory for Ohio's 10 largest counties and continue for all voluntarily participating counties. Judge Reed of Allen County has prepared a [sentencing entry template](#) for TCAP counties.
- [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](mailto:Justin.Long@sc.ohio.gov).
- Mark your calendars! [Registration is now open](#) for the **2018 OJC Annual Meeting**, "Today's Trends, Tomorrow's Rulings," 9.13 – 9.14 in Columbus, featuring *Dreamland* author Sam Quinones and Dean of U.C. Berkeley School of Law and constitutional law expert Prof. Erwin Chemerinsky.

For a complete list of bills & the latest issue of **BillBoard**, please visit the [OJC website](#).



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