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**Legislation and Policy
in the News:**

[Ohio Prisoners on Their Own After Release from Coronavirus Hotspots; Columbus Dispatch April 22, 2020](#)

[Governor: Face Covering Order 'Went Too Far,' Was Reversed; Associated Press, May 3, 2020](#)

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Legislative News: Two Week Review

- The OJC Jury Service Committee has created a document to aid in all the possible considerations required to convene a jury or conduct a jury trial. This is a work in progress and feedback is appreciated. It is available on the [OJC website](#), which also contains other resources related to courts functioning during the COVID-19 pandemic, and a library of emergency orders.
- In [In re A.W.](#), 2020-Ohio-1457, the Ohio Supreme Court found that because a juvenile court loses **subject-matter jurisdiction over a child** when the child turns 21, a juvenile court's order invoking the adult portion of the (former) child's sentence that was not journalized until the day of child's 21st birthday is void, decided on 4.16.20.
- In [In re N.M.P.](#), 2020-Ohio-1458, the Ohio Supreme Court found that under RC 2151.414 (B)(1)(d), a children services agency may seek **permanent custody of a child** who has been in the temporary custody of the agency for 12 of the consecutive 22-month period preceding the filing of the motion, decided 4.16.20.
- In [State v. Jeffries](#), 2020-Ohio-1539, the Ohio Supreme Court found that both consensual and nonconsensual sexual activity is barred from admission into evidence by **Ohio rape-shield law**, RC 2907.02 (D), 2907.05 (E), decided on 4.22.20.
- ODRC Video Support Office can schedule videoconference hearings with inmates of ODRC. The preferred way to schedule is via email to DRC.Videoconference@odrc.state.oh.us with the following information per request. Please do not send pdf documents.
 - Name of Court
 - Date of the requested hearing
 - Start time
 - Anticipated length of hearing
 - Institution
 - Inmate name
 - Inmate number
 - Type of hearing (if applicable)
 - Case number (only needed if hearing)
 - Court contact name
 - Court contact phone number
- **Please note:** the ODRC number for **Transitional Control Recommendation** notifications has changed. Please send those notifications via fax 614.816.2819 or via email to DRCBCS.JudicialResponses@odrc.state.oh.us
- The House of Representatives is returning to legislative work this week, with session scheduled for 5.6.20 and 5.7.20.

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



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