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## In Case You Missed It:

The Ohio Criminal
Sentencing Commission
Released its 2025 Report
on TCAP and Certified
Specialized Dockets

The Criminal Justice
Coordinating Center of
Excellence Published its
Findings from the 2024
Deflection Inventory

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## Legislative News: Two-Week Review

- <u>HB 336</u> (Rep. Young) **OVI Aggravated Vehicular Homicide**, introduced 6.10.25. The bill requires a felony offender of an OVI-caused aggravated vehicular homicide to pay child maintenance when the victim is a parent, legal guardian, or custodian of a minor child and allows child maintenance to be awarded in a wrongful death action when the offender is deceased.
- <u>HB 338</u> (Reps. Johnson, Plummer) **Correctional Institution Assaults**, introduced 6.10.25. The bill expands the list of persons mentioned in the statute on correctional institution assaults to include visitors, volunteers, employees of ODRC and DYS, and contractors for ODRC and DYS on the grounds of a state or local correctional facility. The bill includes a specification and increased penalties for such an assault (ranging from F3 to life without the possibility of parole).
- <u>HB 343</u> (Rep. Lorenz) **Mandatory Youth Delinquency Dispositions**, introduced 6.11.25. The bill requires mandatory dispositions for youths adjudicated delinquent for committing acts that would be felony theft or vandalism if committed by an adult and the juvenile has previously been adjudicated of at least 2 felony theft or vandalism offenses previously.
- <u>HB 345</u> (Rep. LaRe) **Increased Penalties for Voyeurism**, introduced 6.10.25. The bill increases the existing penalties for repeat voyeurism (from a range or M3 M1 to F5 F4, and F4 F3 for repeat offenses).
- <u>HB 352</u> (Rep. Brewer) **Dating Violence**, introduced 6.11.25. The bill expands the offense of weapons under disability to include a person subject to a domestic violence protection order and a person convicted of misdemeanor domestic violence.
- <u>HB 354</u> (Reps. Abdullahi, Grim) **DV Firearm Disability**, introduced 6.11.25. The bill prohibits a person who has been convicted of M1 domestic violence from possessing a firearm or dangerous ordnance.
- <u>HB 357</u> (Rep. Lorenz) **Vehicular Manslaughter, Assault**, introduced 6.11.25. The bill increases the penalty for Aggravated Vehicular Homicide (RC 2903.06) from M1 to F4, with a Class 4 suspension; similarly, Vehicular Assault (RC 2903.08) is an M1, and can be an F4 if the offender is driving under suspension or has been convicted of a similar crime previously.
- On 6.18.25, the Ohio Supreme Court decided in <u>State ex rel. Parikh v. Berkowitz</u>, Slip Opinion No. 2025-Ohio-2117 that a **clerk of courts cannot defy a judicial order** by eliminating remote access to online court records
- In May 2025, Governor DeWine's **Missing Persons Work Group** released its <u>report</u>, with recommendations for legislation that increases the criminal penalty for interfering with custody by removing a child out of the state or country; and legislation that mandates that arrest warrants for interference with custody be entered into LEADS and NCIC with a nationwide pickup radius (see <u>HB</u> 217, which has been amended to include some of the report's recommendations).

## For a complete list of bills & the latest Enactment News, please visit the OJC website.



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