

Legislative Update, BSCC Board Meeting, June 12, 2025

1	Bill	AB 248, County jails: wages
	Author	Assembly Member Isaac Bryan, (D-55)
	Summary	<p>As introduced</p> <p>Existing law provides that a county jail is kept by the sheriff of the county in which the jail is situated and is to be used for specified purposes, including for the confinement of persons sentenced to imprisonment in the county jail upon a criminal conviction. Existing law authorizes the board of supervisors to credit each prisoner confined in or committed to county jail up to \$2 for each 8 hours of work performed in jail.</p> <p>This bill would instead authorize the board to credit each prisoner with a wage to be determined by the board.</p>
	Impact to BSCC	Information only; no anticipated impact to BSCC
	Status	5/7/2025 Referred to Senate Com. on PUB. S.
2	Bill	AB 331, Elections: duties of election officials: voter information guides.
	Author	Assembly Member Gail Pellerin, (D-28)
	Summary	<p>Amended 4/21/25</p> <p>Existing law requires an elections official, upon completion of the count, to add the results of write-in votes and any paper ballots used as certified by the precinct board, and thereupon declare the vote.</p> <p>Existing law requires the elections official to prepare a certified statement of the results of the election and submit it to the governing body within 30 days of the election, as specified.</p> <p>Existing law requires the elections official to send to the Secretary of State within 31 days of the election in an electronic format a complete copy of specified election results, including the vote given for persons for electors of President and Vice President of the United States, all candidates voted for statewide office, and all statewide measures.</p> <p>This bill would specify that the duties described above imposed on election elections officials are ministerial and nondiscretionary.</p> <p>This bill would require elections officials who fail to prepare a certified statement of the result of the election, as described above, to immediately deliver all records and other information pertaining to the election to the Secretary of State. The bill would require the Secretary of State to then make all necessary determinations and certify the results of the election as soon as practicable. The bill would specify that all costs associated with the</p>

~~Secretary of State completing the canvass and certification of the election must be borne by the county that failed to timely certify its election results.~~

Existing law, if the Secretary of State determines that state election laws are not being enforced, requires the Secretary of State to call the violation of those laws to the attention of the district attorney of the county or to the Attorney General.

This bill, if an elections official fails to prepare a certified statement of the results of the election, would require the Secretary of State to call the violation to the attention of the district attorney of the county or to the Attorney General and authorize the Secretary of State to assist the county elections official in discharging their duties, consistent with those provisions.

Existing law requires a governing body to declare elected or nominated the person having the highest number of votes for each office voted on at an election under its jurisdiction and to declare the results of each measure voted on at an election under its jurisdiction.

This bill would specify that these duties are ministerial and nondiscretionary.

Existing law requires the Secretary of State to prepare a state voter information guide that includes, among other things, a complete copy of each state measure, the Voter Bill of Rights, and information on candidates for the office of United States Senator and the offices of President and Vice President, as specified.

Existing law requires county elections officials to prepare a county voter information guide that contains, among other things, voluntary statements by a candidate for nonpartisan elective office.

This bill would require the Secretary of State and county elections officials to prepare voter information guides for county jail facilities in a format that will be accepted by jail facilities.

The bill would require county jail officials to work in good faith with the Secretary of State and county ~~election~~ *elections* officials to ensure delivery of state and county voter information guides to their facilities for each primary and general election. By requiring county elections officials to prepare voter information guides for each jail in their jurisdiction, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

Existing law makes it a crime to display a container for the purpose of collecting ballots, with the intent to deceive a voter into casting a ballot in an unofficial ballot box. Existing law also makes it a crime to direct or solicit a voter to place a ballot in such a container.

Existing law makes these crimes punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000, by imprisonment for 16 months or two or three years, or by both fine and imprisonment.

This bill would also make it a crime to display an envelope for the purpose of collecting ballots, with the intent to deceive a voter into casting a ballot in an unofficial ballot box.

		The bill would make it a crime to direct or solicit a voter to place a ballot in such an envelope. By expanding the scope of these crimes, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.
	Impact to BSCC	Information only; no impact to BSCC
	Status	6/3/2025 In Senate. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment.
3	Bill	AB 1269, County and city jails: incarcerated person contacts.
	Author	Assembly Member Isaac Bryan, (D-55)
	Summary	<p>Amended 5/28/25</p> <p>Existing law requires every person incarcerated in a state prison to be asked to provide contact information for specific circumstances, including for medical release of information and next of kin authorizing control over body and possessions in case of death.</p> <p>Existing law requires the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation to notify all persons covered by the medical release of information within 24 hours of a person incarcerated in a state prison being hospitalized for a serious or critical medical condition, as defined.</p> <p>Existing law requires the department to notify all persons covered by the medical release of information and next of kin within 24 hours of the death of a person incarcerated in state prison.</p> <p>Existing law provides that a county jail is kept by the sheriff of the county in which the jail is situated and is to be used for specified purposes, including for the confinement of persons sentenced to imprisonment in a county jail upon a criminal conviction.</p> <p>This bill, Wakiesha's Law, would require the county or city jail to notify all people covered by the medical release of information and next of kin forms within 24 hours of the death of a person incarcerated in the county or city jail.</p>
	Impact to BSCC	Information only; potential changes to Title 15 for consideration.
	Status	6/4/2025 In Senate. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment.
4	Bill	SB 498, County detention: juvenile facilities: commissary
	Author	Senator Josh Becker, (D-13)
	Summary	Existing law requires that an inmate in a state prison who has maintained an inmate trust account with \$25 or less for 30 consecutive days be deemed indigent and requires that an

		<p>inmate who is indigent receive, among other things, basic supplies necessary for maintaining personal hygiene.</p> <p>Existing law allows the sheriff of each county to operate a store in connection with the county jail, and authorizes the chief probation officer of each county to operate a store in connection with the juvenile hall or other county juvenile facilities, to sell confectionary, postage and writing materials, and toilet articles and supplies to inmates, wards, wards and juvenile detainees.</p> <p>Existing law also provides that all youth confined in juvenile facilities have specified rights, including, among others, the right to receive adequate personal hygiene items.</p> <p>This bill would require that indigent incarcerated persons and indigent wards or detainees be provided basic hygiene products free of charge and require that those individuals have guaranteed access to hygiene products, upon their request.</p> <p>The bill would prohibit an indigent incarcerated person or an indigent ward or detainee from being denied access to hygiene products as a disciplinary measure.</p> <p>The bill would prohibit debt from being accrued as a result of the provision of hygiene products to indigent inmates and indigent wards or detainees and would require any debt accrued for the provision of hygiene products prior to January 1, 2026, to be discharged.</p>
	Impact to BSCC	Information only; potential changes to Title 15 required.
	Status	6/5/2025 In Assembly. Read first time. Held at Desk.
5	Bill	SB 38, Second Chance Program
	Author	Senator Umberg, Tom, (D-34)
	Summary	<p>Amended April 9, 2025 (most current version)</p> <p>Existing law establishes the Second Chance Program to support mental health treatment, substance use treatment, and diversion programs for persons in the criminal justice system with an emphasis on programs that reduce recidivism of persons convicted of less serious crimes and persons who have substance use and mental health problems. Existing law requires the Board of State and Community Corrections to administer a grant program to carry out the purposes of the Second Chance Program. Existing law requires the grant program to, among other things, restrict eligibility to proposals that offer mental health services, substance use disorder treatment services, misdemeanor diversion programs, or a combination thereof. Existing law also establishes the Second Chance Fund, a continuously appropriated fund, which is administered by the board.</p> <p>Existing law, the Treatment-Mandated Felony Act, makes it a crime for a person, who has 2 or more prior convictions for a felony or misdemeanor violation of specified controlled substances crimes, to possess a hard drug, as defined, unless it has been prescribed by a</p>

		<p>doctor, among others. Under existing law, a defendant who has been charged with this crime can elect treatment, in lieu of a jail or prison sentence or probation, by pleading guilty or no contest and admitting the alleged prior convictions, waiving time for sentencing and the pronouncement of judgment, and agreeing to participate in, and complete, a detailed treatment program developed by a drug addiction expert and approved by the court.</p> <p>This bill would require the Second Chance grant program to authorize eligibility for proposals that offer mental health or behavioral health services and drug court or collaborative court programs, including the treatment program under the Treatment-Mandated Felony Act. By expanding the purpose of a continuously appropriated fund, this bill would make an appropriation.</p>
	Impact to BSCC	Minimal impact to Prop 47, as amended.
	Status	4/8/2025, Senate Public Safety Committee hearing
6	Bill	AB 1229, Adult Reentry Grant Program
	Authors	Assembly Member Schultz, Nick (D-44) and Assembly Member Quirk-Silva (D-67) (Principal coauthors: Assembly Members Ávila Farías, Caloza, Mark González, Haney, Kalra, and Lee)
	Summary	<p>As introduced</p> <p>The Budget Act of 2018 appropriated \$50,000,000 to the Board of State and Community Corrections for a grant program, known as the Adult Reentry Grant Program, for the purpose of awarding competitive grants to community-based organizations to support offenders formerly incarcerated in state prison.</p> <p>The Budget Act of 2018 allocated a specified amount of those funds for, among other things, rental assistance, rehabilitation of existing property or buildings, and to support the warm hand-off and reentry of offenders transitioning from prison to communities. Subsequent budget acts have continued to fund the program.</p> <p>This bill, instead, commencing July 1, 2026, and upon appropriation of funds, would transfer the administration of the grant program to the Department of Housing and Community Development.</p> <p>The bill would require the department, on or before December 1, 2026, to modify the grant program to provide 5-year renewable grants to up to 6 regional administrators responsible for funding permanent affordable housing and services for people who were formerly incarcerated in state prison and are experiencing homelessness or are at risk of homelessness.</p>
	Impact to BSCC	Administration of the ARG Program would shift from BSCC to HCD. BSCC would continue to administer current funding cohorts through conclusion of the funding period.
	Status	6/3/2025 In Senate. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment.

7	Bill	AB 946, Chief probation officer: designee
	Author	Assembly Member Bryan, Isaac (D-55)
	Summary	<p>As introduced</p> <p>Existing law requires every county to appoint a chief probation officer, and requires the chief probation officer to be nominated, as specified. Existing law requires the chief probation officer to perform the duties and discharge the obligations imposed on the office by law or by order of the superior court, including, among other things, the operation of juvenile halls pursuant to specified provisions.</p> <p>This bill would create an exception to those provisions by requiring, in a county with a population of at least 3,500,000 people, the chief probation officer, or a designee who is appointed by the county board of supervisors and who has jurisdiction over youth development, to perform those duties and discharge those obligations.</p>
	Impact to BSCC	Bill would potentially require regulatory changes.
	Status	5/8/2025 Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(3). (Last location was PUB. S. on 3/10/2025)(May be acted upon Jan 2026)
8	Bill	SB 357, Juveniles
	Author	Senator Menjivar, Caroline (D-20)
	Summary	<p>As amended May 29, 2025 (most current version)</p> <p>Existing law subjects a minor between 12 and 17 years of age, who violates any federal, state, or local law or ordinance, and a minor under 12 years of age who is alleged to have committed specified serious offenses, to the jurisdiction of the juvenile court, which may adjudge the minor to be a ward of the court. Existing law also establishes the transition jurisdiction of the juvenile court and subjects certain minors who are older than 17 years and 5 months of age and younger than 18 years of age, and certain nonminors who are older than 18 years of age and less than 21 years of age, who were wards of the juvenile court and in foster care placement to that jurisdiction. Existing law assigns various responsibilities relating to these individuals to the probation officer, including, among others, the responsibility to supervise minors placed on probation.</p> <p>Existing law requires every county to appoint a chief probation officer and requires the chief probation officer to perform the duties and discharge the obligations imposed on the office by law or by order of the superior court, including, among other things, community supervision of the minors described above and the operation of juvenile halls, camps, and ranches, pursuant to specified provisions.</p> <p>This bill would authorize the board of supervisors in a county with a population of at least 3,500,000 6,000,000 people to to, <i>except as specified</i>, delegate to a county official who has jurisdiction over youth development all or part of the duties and authorities concerning</p>

		<p>these individuals, including community supervision and the operation of juvenile halls, camps, and ranches.</p> <p><i>Existing law generally limits access to juvenile case files, as defined. Existing law authorizes only certain individuals to inspect a juvenile case file, including, among others, the county counsel, city attorney, or any other attorney representing the petitioning agency in a dependency action.</i></p> <p><i>This bill would additionally authorize county officials who have been delegated duties, authorities, or both, as described above, to inspect a juvenile case file.</i></p> <p>Existing law subjects a minor between 12 and 17 years of age, who violates any federal, state, or local law or ordinance, and a minor under 12 years of age who is alleged to have committed specified serious offenses, to the jurisdiction of the juvenile court, which may adjudge the minor to be a ward of the court.</p> <p>Existing law assigns various responsibilities relating to these minors to the probation officer, including, among others, the responsibility to supervise minors placed on probation and manage juvenile halls and other juvenile detention facilities.</p> <p>This bill would authorize the board of supervisors of any county to delegate to another county department all or part of the duties and authorities concerning those minors, or concerning the oversight or operation of juvenile detention facilities, that are granted to the probation department or a probation officer.</p>
	Impact to BSCC	Bill may require regulatory changes related to BSCC required training and inspections.
	Status	6/5/2025 In Assembly. Read first time.
9	Bill	AB 603, Asset forfeiture: human trafficking
	Author	Assembly Member Alanis, Juan (R-22)
	Summary	<p>As introduced</p> <p>The California Control of Profits of Organized Crime Act provides the procedure for the forfeiture of property and proceeds acquired through a pattern of criminal profiteering activity. Under the act, “criminal profiteering activity” includes human trafficking, and a “pattern of criminal profiteering activity” means engaging in at least 2 incidents of criminal profiteering that meet specific requirements.</p> <p>Under current law other the act, an interest in a vehicle, real property, or other thing of value that was put to substantial use for the purpose of facilitating the crime of human trafficking that involves a commercial sex act where the victim was less than 18 years of age at the time of the commission of the crime, may be seized and ordered forfeited by the court upon the conviction of a person guilty of human trafficking that involves a commercial sex act where the victim is an individual under 18 years of age.</p> <p>This bill would rename the act as the “California Control of Profits of Organized Crime and Human Trafficking Act” and recast its provisions to authorize the forfeiture of property and</p>

		<p>proceeds acquired through human trafficking without the requirement to establish a pattern of criminal profiteering activity.</p> <p>The bill would reallocate the proceeds of forfeiture related to human trafficking to the Victim-Witness Assistance Fund and the Board of State and Community Corrections, as specified.</p>
	Impact to BSCC	BSCC would require additional staffing to administer the bill.
	Status	5/1/2025 Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(2). (Last location was PUB. S. on 2/24/2025)(May be acted upon Jan 2026)
10	Bill	AB 701, Corrections: solitary confinement
	Author	Assembly Member Ortega, Liz (D-20)
	Summary	<p>As introduced</p> <p>Existing law provides the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation with jurisdiction over the state prison, as specified. Existing law states that it is unlawful to use any cruel, corporal, or unusual punishment or to inflict any treatment or allow any lack of care that would injure or impair the health of a prisoner, inmate, or person confined.</p> <p>This bill would, upon appropriation by the Legislature, require the Department of Justice, in collaboration with the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation and the Board of State and Community Corrections, to conduct a one-time comprehensive study on the use of solitary confinement in all detention facilities in California.</p> <p>The bill would require the study to include specified data about each instance of solitary confinement during the first 9 months of the year of 2026, including, among other data, the time and date solitary confinement began and ended, the facility in which it occurred, and the stated basis for the solitary confinement.</p> <p>The bill would require detention facilities to report the required data to the department. By increasing duties on local detention facilities, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.</p> <p>The bill would require the Department of Justice to provide monthly data to the Legislature, and a final report to the Legislature and the Governor, by November 1, 2026, as specified.</p>
	Impact to BSCC	Minimal impact to BSCC as written. Bill would require collaboration with DOJ.
	Status	5/23/2025 Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(5). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 4/23/2025)(May be acted upon Jan 2026)
11	Bill	AB 1258, Deferred entry of judgement
	Author	Assembly Member Kalra, Ash (D-25)

	Summary	<p>Amended 4/02/25</p> <p>Existing law authorizes, until January 1, 2026, the Counties of Alameda, Butte, Nevada, and Santa Clara to establish a pilot program to operate a deferred entry of judgment pilot program for eligible defendants who are 18 years of age or older, but under 21 years of age, on the date the offense was committed, as specified.</p> <p>Existing law requires the Board of State and Community Corrections to review a county's pilot program to ensure compliance with specific federal law, and further requires a probation department to submit data relating to the effectiveness of the pilot program to the Division of Recidivism Reduction and Re-Entry, within the Department of Justice.</p> <p>Existing law requires a participating county to submit an evaluation of its pilot program's impact and effectiveness to the Assembly and Senate Committees on Public Safety, no later than December 31, 2024.</p> <p>This bill would extend the pilot program, for the County of <i>Counties of Butte, Nevada, and Santa Clara</i>, to January 1, 2029, and would require an evaluation to be submitted to the Assembly and Senate Committees on Public Safety no later than December 31, 2027.</p>
	Impact to BSCC	Extends existing pilot program; minimal impact to BSCC.
	Status	6/3/2025 In Senate. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment.
12	Bill	SB 857, Public safety omnibus
	Author	Senate Public Safety Committee
	Summary	<p>Amended 04/21/25</p> <p><i>(1) Existing law</i> establishes the Board of State and Community Corrections to provide statewide leadership, coordination, and technical assistance to promote effective state and local efforts and partnerships in California's adult and juvenile criminal justice system. The duties of the board, among others, include establishing standards for local correctional facilities and correctional officers. Under existing law, the board is composed of 15 members, as specified, and 7 members constitutes a quorum.</p> <p>This bill would instead require 8 members to constitute a quorum.</p> <p><i>(2) Existing law creates within the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation the Prison Industry Authority.</i></p> <p><i>This bill would rename the Prison Industry Authority as the California Correctional Training and Rehabilitation Authority, would rename the Prison Industry Board as the California Correctional Training and Rehabilitation Board, would rename the Prison Industries Revolving Fund as the California Correctional Training and Rehabilitation Revolving Fund, and would require that any reference to the Prison Industry Authority be deemed a reference to the California Correctional Training and Rehabilitation Authority.</i></p> <p><i>(3) Existing law establishes the jurisdiction of the juvenile court over minors who are between 12 and 17 years of age, who have violated a federal, state, or local law or ordinance, as specified, and over minors under 12 years of age who have been alleged to have committed</i></p>

		<p><i>specified crimes. Existing law authorizes a juvenile court to adjudge a person under these circumstances to be a ward of the court. Existing law authorizes the juvenile court to permit a person adjudged a ward of the juvenile court, or placed on probation by the juvenile court, to reside in a county other than their county of legal residence. Existing law authorizes a ward who is permitted to reside in a county other than their county of legal residence to be supervised by the probation officer of the county of actual residence, with the consent of that probation officer.</i></p> <p><i>This bill would clarify that these provisions apply to wards discharged to probation supervision after having been confined in a secure youth treatment facility, or after having been transferred to a less restrictive program from a secure youth treatment facility.</i></p> <p><i>(4) Existing law authorizes any county or court to implement a “comprehensive collection program” as a separate revenue collection activity, and requires the program to meet certain criteria, one of which is that the program engages in specified activities in collecting fines or penalties, including, among other things, initiating a driver’s license suspension or hold, as specified.</i></p> <p><i>This bill would delete initiating suspensions or holds for driver’s licenses from the list of activities in which the program may engage.</i></p> <p><i>(5) Various provisions of the Health and Safety Code, Penal Code, and Welfare and Institutions Code, among others, refer to training and other requirements related to “deescalation techniques.”</i></p> <p><i>This bill would revise all references to “deescalation” to “de-escalation.”</i></p> <p><i>(6) The bill would also make other technical changes, both conforming and nonsubstantive.</i></p>
	Impact to BSCC	<p>Would require an additional Board Member to attend Board meetings to establish quorum.</p> <p>(8) Recent amendments address changes to</p>
	Status	5/29/2025 Referred to Assembly Com. on PUB. S.
13	Bill	AB 802, Juvenile justice commission: hunger survey
	Author	Assembly Member Sharp-Collins, LaShae (D-79)
	Summary	<p>As introduced</p> <p>Existing law establishes in each county a juvenile justice commission, but authorizes the boards of supervisors of 2 or more adjacent counties to agree to establish a regional juvenile justice commission in lieu of a county juvenile justice commission.</p> <p>Existing law requires a juvenile justice commission, among other things, to inquire into the administration of the juvenile court law in the county or region in which the commission serves and to annually inspect any jail or lockup within the county that, in the preceding calendar year, was used for confinement for more than 24 hours of any minor.</p> <p>This bill would require a juvenile justice commission to, or work with a local community-based organization to, administer, at least once every 24 months, a survey of youth younger than 26 years of age who are confined in county juvenile halls, camps, and other facilities used for the confinement of youth, in order to ascertain whether confined youth are chronically or often hungry, whether confined youth have regular access to food between</p>

		<p>meals, whether confined youth have adequate time for meals, and the quality of the food confined youth are provided.</p> <p>The bill would require a juvenile justice commission to, if that survey indicates that confined youth are often or chronically hungry, make recommendations for changes to county policies to address that hunger.</p> <p>The bill would require the results of the survey and any recommendations made to be posted on the juvenile justice commission's internet website and would require a description of any remedial or corrective actions the county takes to address issues found as a result of the survey to be published on the county probation department's internet website. By imposing new duties on juvenile justice commissions and county probation departments, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.</p>
	Impact to BSCC	Bill would potentially require regulatory changes.
	Status	5/23/2025 Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(5). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 4/9/2025)(May be acted upon Jan 2026)
14	Bill	AB 785, Community Violence Interdiction Grant Program
	Authors	<p>Assembly Member Sharp-Collins, LaShae (D-79) (Principal coauthors: Assembly Members Bonta, Bryan, Elhawary, Gipson, Jackson, McKinnor, Ransom, and Wilson) (Principal coauthors: Senators Richardson, Smallwood-Cuevas, and Weber Pierson)</p>
	Summary	<p>Amended 04/09/25</p> <p>Current law establishes the California Violence Intervention and Prevention Grant Program, administered by the Board of State and Community Corrections, to award competitive grants for the purpose of violence intervention and prevention.</p> <p>Current law establishes the Youth Reinvestment Grant Program within the Board of State and Community Corrections to grant funds, upon appropriation, to local jurisdictions and Indian tribes for the purpose of implementing trauma-informed diversion programs for minors, as specified.</p> <p>Current law requires the governing board of a school district to give diligent care to the health and physical development of pupils and authorizes the governing board of a school district to employ properly certified persons for the work.</p> <p>Current law requires a school of a school district or county office of education and a charter school to notify pupils and parents or guardians of pupils no less than twice during the school year on how to initiate access to available pupil mental health services on campus or in the community, or both, as provided.</p> <p>Current law requires the State Department of Public Health, in cooperation with the State Department of Education, to establish a Public School Health Center Support Program, upon appropriation by the Legislature, to assist school health centers, which are defined as</p>

		<p>centers or programs, located at or near local educational agencies, that provide age-appropriate health care services at the program site or through referrals, as specified.</p> <p>This bill would create the Community Violence Interdiction Grant Program to be administered by the California Health and Human Services Agency to provide funding to local community programs for community-driven solutions to decrease violence in neighborhoods and schools.</p> <p>The bill would specify the types of programs the grant funds may be used for, including, but not limited to, programs that create and enhance recreation- and health-based interventions for youth during peak times of violence and the creation and operation of school-based health centers.</p> <p>The bill would require the agency to develop an application process and criteria for funding and would require the agency to administer the grant program, as specified.</p>
	Impact to BSCC	Information only; no impact to BSCC
	Status	6/3/2025 In Senate. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment.
15	Bill	SB 824, Secure youth facilities
	Author	Senator Menjivar, Caroline (D-20)
	Summary	<p>Amended 04/24/25</p> <p>Existing law authorizes a court to order a ward who is 14 years of age or older to be committed to a secure youth treatment facility, operated by the county of commitment, for a period of confinement if the ward is adjudicated and found to be a ward based on the commitment of a specified serious offense committed when the juvenile was 14 years of age or older, that adjudication is the most recent offense for which the ward has been adjudicated, and the court has made a finding on the record that a less restrictive, alternative disposition for the ward is unsuitable. Existing law requires, within 30 judicial days of making an order of commitment to a secure youth treatment facility, the court to receive, review, and approve an individual rehabilitation plan that includes specific components, including, among others, a description of the programming, treatment, and education to be provided to the ward in relation to their identified needs during the commitment period. Existing law requires the court to schedule and hold a review hearing every 6 months during the term of commitment. Existing law also authorizes the court, upon a motion from the probation department or the ward, to order that the ward be transferred from a secure youth treatment facility to a less restrictive program, such as a halfway house, a camp or ranch, or a community residential or nonresidential service program, if the court determines that the ward has made substantial progress toward the goals of the individual rehabilitation plan.</p> <p>This bill would require the individual rehabilitation plan to also describe how the programming, treatment, and education to be provided to the ward is designed to enable the ward to <i>facilitate the ward's potential</i> transition to a less restrictive program, and would require the description to include, among other things, how the individual rehabilitation plan will be implemented to prioritize <i>facilitate</i> the ward's progress toward transfer to a less</p>

		<p>restrictive-program-<i>program when the ward has met the criteria for transfer</i>. The bill would require the court, prior to approving the individual rehabilitation plan, to hold a hearing on the matter, and would require the prosecutor and the counsel for the ward to be provided a copy of the individual rehabilitation plan at least 2 days prior to that hearing. The bill would also require the court, at each review hearing, to assess the ward's progress toward transferring to a less restrictive program and would authorize the court to make or modify orders for the purpose of improving and prioritizing that progress. The bill would require the court to order that the ward be transferred to a less restrictive program if it makes the determination described above and finds that it is reasonably likely that transferring the ward to a less restrictive program will better facilitate fulfillment of the goals in the individual rehabilitation plan than would the ward's continued confinement in a secure youth treatment facility.</p>
	Impact to BSCC	Informational only; no impact to BSCC
	Status	5/23/2025 Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(5). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 5/5/2025)(May be acted upon Jan 2026)