

Staff Memorandum 2022-03
Draft Minutes of January 21, 2022 Meeting

The Committee on Revision of the Penal Code held a meeting on January 21, 2022. Draft Minutes for that meeting are attached for Committee members to review.

The draft Minutes will be deemed final after it is approved by a vote of the Committee. When voting, the Committee may make specific changes to the Minutes. If so, those changes will be memorialized in the Minutes for the meeting at which the vote occurred.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas M. Nosewicz
Legal Director

***DRAFT* MINUTES OF MEETING**
COMMITTEE ON REVISION OF THE PENAL CODE
JANUARY 21, 2022

A meeting of the Committee on Revision of the Penal Code was held on January 21, 2022. Consistent with Government Code Section 11133, the meeting was held as an online video webinar.

Committee:

Present: Michael Romano, Chairperson
Hon. Peter Espinoza, Ret.
Hon. Thelton Henderson, Ret.
Assembly Member Alex Lee
Hon. Carlos Moreno, Ret.
Senator Nancy Skinner

Staff:

Present: Brian Hebert, Executive Director
Barbara Gaal, Chief Deputy Director
Thomas M. Nosewicz, Legal Director
Rick Owen, Staff Counsel
Lara Hoffman, Stanford Fellow

Other Persons:

Up to 30 members of the public observed the meeting as attendees. The Committee did not prepare a list of those attendees.

Approval of Actions Taken

Unless otherwise indicated, the Committee decisions noted in these Minutes were approved by all members present at the meeting. If a member who was present at the meeting voted against a particular decision, abstained from voting, or was not present when the decision was made, that fact will be noted below.

Ongoing Business

Following a presentation by the Legal Director, the Committee discussed potential topics for study for the 2022 agenda. After discussion, the Committee directed staff to prepare Committee meetings on these general topics for the rest of the year:

- Victims' rights and services
- Mental health beyond diversion
- First contact with the system
- Prosecutorial discretion, plea bargaining, and common dispositions
- Bail

The Committee also indicated it would meet roughly every month beginning in February, with additional meetings as needed.

Administrative Matters

The Committee considered Memorandum 2022-01 presenting draft Minutes for the Committee's November 16, 2021 meeting.

The Committee approved the Minutes without change.