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**APPROVED** MINUTES OF MEETING  
COMMITTEE ON REVISION OF THE PENAL CODE  
JUNE 23, 2021

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1       A meeting of the Committee on Revision of the Penal Code was held on May  
2 13–14, 2021. Consistent with Executive Orders N-25-20, N-29-20, and N-08-21, the  
3 meeting was held as an online video webinar.

4       **Commission:**

5           *Present:*       Michael Romano, Chairperson  
6                            Assembly Member Alex Lee  
7                            Senator Nancy Skinner  
8                            Hon. Peter Espinoza, Ret.  
9                            Hon. Carlos Moreno, Ret.  
10                          Priscilla Ocen

11       **Staff:**

12           *Present:*       Brian Hebert, Executive Director  
13                            Barbara Gaal, Chief Deputy Director  
14                            Thomas Nosewicz, Legal Director  
15                            Rick Owen, Staff Counsel  
16                            Lara Hoffman, Stanford Fellow

17       **Invited Presenters:**

18       Professor Steven Raphael, UC Berkeley Goldman School of Public Policy and  
19 California Policy Lab

20       **Other Persons:**

21       Up to 70 members of the public observed the meeting as attendees. The  
22 Committee did not prepare a list of those attendees.

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APPROVAL OF ACTIONS TAKEN

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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.

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NEW BUSINESS

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The Committee heard from Professor Steven Raphael about recent crime statistics. The Committee is grateful for his participation.

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ONGOING BUSINESS

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The Committee considered Memorandum 2021-09, which was a draft Report and Recommendation on the Death Penalty. The Committee also heard public comment on the draft report. The Committee voted to adopt the draft report and to allow Chairperson Romano to make non-substantive changes to the draft, including, adding data charts, proof-reading and design.

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ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

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**Approval of Minutes**

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The Committee considered Memorandum 2021-10 presenting draft Minutes for the Committee's May meeting.

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The Committee approved the Minutes without change.