
APPROVED MINUTES OF MEETING
COMMITTEE ON REVISION OF THE PENAL CODE
SEPTEMBER 16, 2021

1 A meeting of the Committee on Revision of the Penal Code was held on
2 September 16, 2021. Consistent with Executive Orders N-25-20 and N-29-20, 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 Mia Bird, California Policy Lab
19 Omair Gill, California Policy Lab
20 Molly Pickard, California Policy Lab
21 Steven Raphael, UC Berkeley Goldman School of Public Policy and California
22 Policy Lab

23 ***Other Persons:***

24 Up to 54 members of the public observed the meeting as attendees. The
25 Committee did not prepare a list of those attendees.

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6 APPROVAL OF ACTIONS TAKEN

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

11 NEW BUSINESS

12 The California Policy Lab gave a presentation on its ongoing data analysis
13 projects. The Committee is grateful for their participation.

14 ONGOING BUSINESS

15 The Committee considered Memorandum 2021-15, which presented updates
16 on possible Committee recommendations. The Legal Director gave a presentation
17 outlining the possible recommendations, and the Committee heard public
18 comment. The Committee plans to vote on which recommendations to adopt as
19 part of its 2021 Annual Report at its next meeting.

20 ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

21 The Chair provided an administrative update, including noting that the
22 Governor had appointed Hon. Thelton Henderson, Ret., to the Committee on
23 September 9, 2021.

24 The Committee considered Memorandum 2021-14 presenting draft Minutes
25 for the Committee’s July meeting.

26 The Committee approved the Minutes without change.