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AN ACT

AMENDING SECTIONS 41-2401, 41-2402 AND 41-2403, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; REPEALING SECTION 41-2404, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; AMENDING TITLE 41, CHAPTER 21, ARTICLE 1, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY ADDING A NEW SECTION 41-2404; AMENDING SECTIONS 41-2405, 41-2406, 41-2407, 41-2408, 41-2409, 41-2410, 41-2414, 41-2420 AND 41-2421, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; REPEALING SECTION 41-3025.01, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; AMENDING TITLE 41, CHAPTER 27, ARTICLE 2, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY ADDING SECTION 41-3033.01; APPROPRIATING MONIES; RELATING TO CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMISSION.

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1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Heading Change

3 The chapter heading of title 41, chapter 21, Arizona Revised
4 Statutes, is changed from "ARIZONA CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMISSION" to
5 "SHERIFFS' CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMISSION".

6 Sec. 2. Section 41-2401, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
7 read:

8 41-2401. Sheriffs' criminal justice enhancement fund

9 A. The SHERIFFS' criminal justice enhancement fund is established
10 consisting of monies collected pursuant to section 12-116.01 and monies
11 available from any other source. The state treasurer shall administer the
12 fund.

13 B. On or before November 1 of each year, each department, agency or
14 office that receives monies pursuant to this section shall provide to the
15 ~~Arizona~~ SHERIFFS' criminal justice commission a report for the preceding
16 fiscal year. The report shall be in a form prescribed by the ~~Arizona~~
17 SHERIFFS' criminal justice commission. The report shall set forth the
18 sources of all monies and all expenditures. The report shall not include
19 any identifying information about specific investigations.

20 C. On or before December 1 of each year, the ~~Arizona~~ SHERIFFS'
21 criminal justice commission shall compile all reports into a single
22 comprehensive report and shall submit a copy of the comprehensive report
23 to the governor, the president of the senate, the speaker of the house of
24 representatives and the director of the joint legislative budget
25 committee.

26 D. On the first day of each month, the state treasurer shall
27 distribute or deposit:

28 1. 20.81 percent in the department of public safety forensics fund
29 established by section 41-1730.

30 2. 3.57 percent to the department of juvenile corrections for the
31 treatment and rehabilitation of youth who have committed drug-related
32 offenses.

33 3. 5.18 percent in the ARIZONA prosecuting attorneys' advisory
34 council training fund established by section 41-1830.03.

35 4. 12.38 percent to the supreme court for the purpose of reducing
36 juvenile crime.

37 5. 10.01 percent to the department of public safety for allocation
38 to state and local law enforcement authorities for the following purposes:

39 (a) To enhance projects that are designed to prevent residential
40 and commercial burglaries, to control street crime, including the
41 activities of criminal street gangs, and to locate missing children.

42 (b) To provide support to the Arizona automated fingerprint
43 identification system.

1 (c) Operational costs of the criminal justice information system.
2 6. 12.38 percent to the department of law for allocation to county
3 attorneys for the purpose of enhancing prosecutorial efforts.
4 7. 8.59 percent to the supreme court for the purpose of enhancing
5 the ability of the courts to process criminal and delinquency cases,
6 orders of protection, injunctions against harassment and any proceeding
7 relating to domestic violence matters, for auditing and investigating
8 persons or entities licensed or certified by the supreme court and for
9 processing judicial discipline cases. Notwithstanding section 12-143,
10 subsection A, the salary of superior court judges pro tempore who are
11 appointed for the purposes provided in this paragraph shall, and the
12 salary of other superior court judges pro tempore who are appointed
13 pursuant to section 12-141 for the purposes provided in this paragraph
14 may, be paid in full by the monies received pursuant to this paragraph.
15 8. 15.06 percent to the county sheriffs for the purpose of
16 enhancing county jail facilities and operations, including county jails
17 under the jurisdiction of county jail districts.
18 9. 3.52 percent to the ~~Arizona~~ SHERIFFS' criminal justice
19 commission.
20 10. 4.34 percent in the department of public safety forensics fund
21 established by section 41-1730.
22 11. 4.16 percent to the supreme court for the purpose of providing
23 drug treatment services to adult probationers through the community
24 punishment program established in title 12, chapter 2, article 11.
25 E. Monies distributed pursuant to subsection D, paragraphs 3, 6, 8
26 and 10 of this section constitute a continuing appropriation. Monies
27 distributed pursuant to subsection D, paragraphs 1, 2, 4, 7, 9 and 11 of
28 this section are subject to legislative appropriation.
29 F. The portion of the monies for direct operating expenses of the
30 department of public safety in subsection D, paragraph 5 of this section
31 is subject to legislative appropriation. The remainder of the monies in
32 subsection D, paragraph 5 of this section, including the portion for local
33 law enforcement, is continuously appropriated.
34 G. The allocation of monies pursuant to subsection D, paragraphs 5,
35 6, 7 and 8 of this section shall be made in accordance with rules adopted
36 by the ~~Arizona~~ SHERIFFS' criminal justice commission pursuant to section
37 41-2405.
38 Sec. 3. Section 41-2402, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
39 read:
40 41-2402. Drug and gang enforcement fund; resource center
41 fund; uses
42 A. The drug and gang enforcement fund is established and consists
43 of monies appropriated by the legislature and any other monies available
44 from other sources, public or private. Monies in the fund shall be used
45 to enhance efforts to deter, investigate, prosecute, adjudicate and punish

1 drug offenders and members of criminal street gangs as defined in section
2 13-105. The ~~Arizona~~ SHERIFFS' criminal justice commission shall
3 administer the fund.

4 B. The ~~Arizona~~ SHERIFFS' criminal justice commission shall
5 distribute monies from the drug and gang enforcement fund in the following
6 manner:

7 1. Up to fifty percent to fund law enforcement agencies approved by
8 the commission to enhance both:

9 (a) The investigation of drug and gang offenses and related
10 criminal activity.

11 (b) Drug and gang education and prevention programs.

12 2. Up to fifty percent to fund programs and agencies approved by
13 the commission to enhance the state, county, city or town prosecution of
14 drug and gang offenses and related criminal activity.

15 3. Up to thirty percent to fund programs and agencies approved by
16 the commission for the purpose of enhancing the ability of the courts to
17 process drug and gang offenses and related criminal cases, either through
18 the appointment of judges pro tempore or the establishment of additional
19 divisions of the courts only for the purposes of this section, enhancing
20 defense and probation services, including treatment, and funding the drug
21 testing program.

22 4. Up to thirty percent to fund programs by county sheriffs and the
23 state department of corrections, as approved by the commission, to enhance
24 drug offender treatment programs and the jail operations and facilities
25 available to detain and incarcerate drug offenders and members of criminal
26 street gangs as defined in section 13-105.

27 5. Up to thirty percent to fund programs and agencies, as approved
28 by the commission, to enhance the integration of criminal justice records
29 relating to drug and gang offenders and their related criminal activity.

30 C. Any state agency that receives monies allocated from the drug
31 and gang enforcement fund shall not include the monies as part of the
32 state agency's continuation budget base for the purpose of requesting
33 appropriations for the following fiscal year.

34 D. All the monies allocated from the drug and gang enforcement fund
35 shall be dedicated solely to the purpose of enhancing efforts to deter,
36 investigate, prosecute, adjudicate and punish drug and gang and related
37 criminal offenders, except those monies allocated pursuant to subsection G
38 of this section.

39 E. Notwithstanding the limitations prescribed in subsection B of
40 this section, any federal monies or matching state monies in the drug and
41 gang enforcement fund may only be allocated by the commission pursuant to
42 a plan approved by the federal government.

1 F. The auditor general shall annually perform a full and complete
2 audit of the drug and gang enforcement fund or the commission shall
3 annually contract with an accounting firm to perform the audit and deliver
4 a report to the governor and the legislature. The audit shall be charged
5 to the drug and gang enforcement fund.

6 G. The resource center fund is established consisting of monies
7 received pursuant to section 12-284.03, subsection A, paragraph 1 and
8 section 41-178 and all monies received from public or private gifts,
9 grants or other sources, excluding federal monies and monies to be passed
10 through to other entities, to be used solely for funding the Arizona youth
11 survey and Arizona statistical analysis center. The ~~Arizona~~ SHERIFFS'
12 criminal justice commission shall administer the fund. Monies in the fund
13 are subject to legislative appropriation. Any monies unexpended or
14 unencumbered on June 30 of each year shall not be subsequently expended or
15 encumbered unless reappropriated. Monies in the drug and gang enforcement
16 fund shall not be used to fund the Arizona youth survey.

17 Sec. 4. Section 41-2403, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
18 read:

19 41-2403. Designated state administering agency for federal
20 Edward Byrne memorial justice assistance grants;
21 report

22 A. The ~~Arizona~~ SHERIFFS' criminal justice commission is this
23 state's designated state administering agency for the federal Edward Byrne
24 memorial justice assistance grant that is administered by the United
25 States department of justice, bureau of justice assistance, office of
26 justice programs.

27 B. The ~~Arizona~~ SHERIFFS' criminal justice commission shall submit a
28 copy of the federal application for Edward Byrne memorial justice
29 assistance grant monies to the joint legislative budget committee for
30 review at least thirty days before the federal application for the grant
31 is submitted.

32 Sec. 5. Repeal
33 Section 41-2404, Arizona Revised Statutes, is repealed.

34 Sec. 6. Title 41, chapter 21, article 1, Arizona Revised Statutes,
35 is amended by adding a new section 41-2404, to read:

36 41-2404. Sheriffs' criminal justice commission; members;
37 compensation; terms; meetings

38 A. THE SHERIFFS' CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMISSION IS ESTABLISHED AND
39 CONSISTS OF THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS:

40 1. TWO COUNTY SHERIFFS WHO ARE APPOINTED BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE
41 SENATE.

42 2. TWO COUNTY SHERIFFS WHO ARE APPOINTED BY THE SPEAKER OF THE
43 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

44 3. ONE COUNTY SHERIFF WHO IS APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR.

1 4. TWO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO ARE FROM DIFFERENT POLITICAL
2 PARTIES AND WHO ARE APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR. ONE OF THE PUBLIC MEMBERS
3 MUST HAVE EXPERIENCE IN STATE LAW AND THE OTHER PUBLIC MEMBER MUST HAVE
4 EXPERIENCE IN FEDERAL LAW.

5 5. TWO MUNICIPAL LAW ENFORCEMENT CHIEFS OF POLICE WHO ARE APPOINTED
6 BY THE GOVERNOR.

7 B. MEMBERS SHALL SERVE FOR TERMS OF TWO YEARS TERMINATING ON THE
8 CONVENING OF THE FIRST REGULAR SESSION OF THE LEGISLATURE. ANY APPOINTEE
9 MEMBER WHO CEASES TO BE AN ELECTED SHERIFF OR A MUNICIPAL LAW ENFORCEMENT
10 CHIEF OF POLICE DURING THE TERM IS DEEMED TO HAVE RESIGNED. APPOINTMENTS
11 TO FILL A VACANCY SHALL BE MADE IN THE SAME MANNER AS THE ORIGINAL
12 APPOINTMENT.

13 C. THE COMMISSION SHALL MEET AND ORGANIZE BY ELECTING FROM AMONG
14 ITS MEMBERSHIP OFFICERS AS ARE DEEMED NECESSARY OR ADVISABLE. THE
15 COMMISSION SHALL MEET AT LEAST ONCE DURING EACH CALENDAR QUARTER AND
16 ADDITIONALLY AS THE CHAIRPERSON DEEMS NECESSARY. A MAJORITY OF THE
17 MEMBERS CONSTITUTES A QUORUM FOR THE TRANSACTION OF BUSINESS.

18 D. MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION ARE NOT ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE
19 COMPENSATION, BUT ARE ELIGIBLE FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES PURSUANT TO
20 TITLE 38, CHAPTER 4, ARTICLE 2.

21 Sec. 7. Section 41-2405, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
22 read:

23 41-2405. Sheriffs' criminal justice commission; powers and
24 duties; staff

25 A. The ~~Arizona~~ SHERIFFS' criminal justice commission shall:

26 1. Monitor the progress and implementation of new and continuing
27 criminal justice legislation.

28 2. Facilitate research among criminal justice agencies and maintain
29 criminal justice system information.

30 3. Facilitate coordinated statewide efforts to improve criminal
31 justice information and data sharing.

32 4. Prepare for the governor a biennial criminal justice system
33 review report. The report shall contain:

34 (a) An analysis of all criminal justice programs created by the
35 legislature in the preceding two years.

36 (b) An analysis of the effectiveness of the criminal code, with a
37 discussion of any problems and recommendations for revisions if deemed
38 necessary.

39 (c) A study of the level of activity in the several areas of the
40 criminal justice system, with recommendations for redistribution of
41 criminal justice revenues if deemed necessary.

42 (d) An overall review of the entire criminal justice system,
43 including crime prevention, criminal apprehension, prosecution, court
44 administration and incarceration at the state and local levels as well as
45 funding needs for the system.

1 (e) Recommendations for constitutional, statutory and
2 administrative revisions that are necessary to develop and maintain a
3 cohesive and effective criminal justice system.

4 5. Provide supplemental reports on criminal justice issues of
5 special timeliness.

6 6. In coordination with other governmental agencies, gather
7 information on programs that are designed to effectuate community crime
8 prevention and education using citizen participation and on programs for
9 alcohol and drug abuse prevention, education and treatment and disseminate
10 that information to the public, political subdivisions, law enforcement
11 agencies and the legislature.

12 7. Make recommendations to the legislature and the governor
13 regarding the purposes and formula for allocation of fund monies as
14 provided in section 41-2401, subsection D and section 41-2402 through the
15 biennial agency budget request.

16 8. Adopt rules for the purpose of allocating fund monies as
17 provided in sections 41-2401, 41-2402 and 41-2407 that are consistent with
18 the purposes set forth in those sections and that promote effective and
19 efficient use of the monies.

20 9. Make reports to the governor and the legislature as they
21 require.

22 10. Oversee the research, analyses, studies, reports and
23 publication of crime and criminal justice statistics prepared by the
24 Arizona statistical analysis center, which is an operating section of the
25 ~~Arizona~~ SHERIFFS' criminal justice commission.

26 11. Prepare an annual report on law enforcement activities in this
27 state that are funded by the drug and gang enforcement fund or the
28 SHERIFFS' criminal justice enhancement fund and that relate to illicit
29 drugs and ~~drug-related~~ DRUG-RELATED gang activity. The report shall be
30 submitted by October 31 of each year to the governor, the president of the
31 senate and the speaker of the house of representatives and a copy shall be
32 submitted to the secretary of state. The report shall include:

33 (a) The name and a description of each law enforcement program
34 dealing with illegal drug activity or street gang activity, or both.

35 (b) The objective and goals of each program.

36 (c) The source and amount of monies received by each program.

37 (d) The name of the agency or entity that administers each program.

38 (e) The effectiveness of each program.

39 12. Compile and disseminate information on best practices for cold
40 case investigations, including effective victim communication procedures.
41 For the purposes of this paragraph, "cold case" means a homicide or a
42 felony sexual offense that remains unsolved for one year or more after
43 being reported to a law enforcement agency and that has no viable and
44 unexplored investigatory leads.

1 13. ~~Beginning January 1, 2019,~~ Submit an annual recidivism report
2 to the legislature that compares the recidivism rate for a person who
3 serves a term of mandatory incarceration in a county jail pursuant to
4 section 28-1383 and a person who serves that term of mandatory
5 incarceration in prison.

6 B. The ~~Arizona~~ SHERIFFS' criminal justice commission, as necessary
7 to perform its functions, may:

8 1. Request any state or local criminal justice agency to submit any
9 necessary information.

10 2. Form subcommittees, make studies, conduct inquiries and hold
11 hearings.

12 3. Subject to chapter 4, article 4 of this title, employ
13 consultants for special projects and such staff as deemed necessary or
14 advisable to carry out this section.

15 4. Delegate its duties to carry out this section, including:

16 (a) The authority to enter into contracts and agreements on behalf
17 of the commission.

18 (b) Subject to chapter 4, article 4 and, as applicable, articles 5
19 and 6 of this title, the authority to appoint, hire, terminate and
20 discipline all personnel of the commission, including consultants.

21 5. Establish joint research and information facilities with
22 governmental and private agencies.

23 6. Accept and ~~expend~~ SPEND public and private grants of monies,
24 gifts and contributions and expend, distribute or allocate monies
25 appropriated to the commission for the purpose of enhancing efforts to
26 investigate or prosecute and adjudicate any crime and to implement this
27 chapter.

28 Sec. 8. Section 41-2406, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
29 read:

30 41-2406. Sexual assault records; reports

31 A. The department of public safety shall electronically provide a
32 data extract from the Arizona computerized criminal history system of all
33 records relating to sexual assaults pursuant to section 13-1406 twice a
34 year to the ~~Arizona~~ SHERIFFS' criminal justice commission.

35 B. The ~~Arizona~~ SHERIFFS' criminal justice commission shall maintain
36 the following records extract regarding sexual assaults pursuant to
37 section 13-1406 that are submitted to the commission by the department of
38 public safety:

39 1. The number of police reports that are filed if available.

40 2. The number of charges that are filed and what charges are filed.

41 3. The number of convictions that are obtained.

42 4. The sentences that are imposed for each conviction.

1 C. The commission shall annually submit the report required by
2 subsection B of this section to the governor, the president of the senate
3 and the speaker of the house of representatives and shall provide a copy
4 of this report to the secretary of state. The commission may submit this
5 report electronically.

6 Sec. 9. Section 41-2407, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
7 read:

8 41-2407. Victim compensation and assistance fund;
9 subrogation; prohibited debt collection activity;
10 definition

11 A. The victim compensation and assistance fund is established. The
12 ~~Arizona~~ SHERIFFS' criminal justice commission shall administer the fund.
13 The victim compensation and assistance fund shall consist of monies
14 collected pursuant to section 31-411, subsection E and sections 12-116.08,
15 13-4310, 31-418, 31-467.06 and 41-1674, unclaimed victim restitution
16 monies pursuant to sections 22-116 and 44-313 and monies available from
17 any other source.

18 B. Subject to legislative appropriation, the ~~Arizona~~ SHERIFFS'
19 criminal justice commission shall allocate monies in the victim
20 compensation and assistance fund to public and private agencies for the
21 purpose of establishing, maintaining and supporting programs that
22 compensate and assist victims of crime.

23 C. The allocation of monies pursuant to this section shall be made
24 in accordance with rules adopted by the ~~Arizona~~ SHERIFFS' criminal justice
25 commission pursuant to section 41-2405, subsection A, paragraph 8. The
26 rules shall provide that persons who suffered personal injury or death
27 that resulted from an attempt to aid a public safety officer in the
28 prevention of a crime or the apprehension of a criminal may be eligible
29 for compensation.

30 D. This state and the applicable operational unit or qualified
31 program, as defined in the victim compensation program rules, are
32 subrogated to the rights of an individual who receives monies from the
33 victim compensation and assistance fund to recover or receive monies or
34 benefits from a third party, to the extent of the amount of monies the
35 individual receives from the fund.

36 E. A licensed health care provider who agrees to the victim
37 compensation program rules may receive program monies for providing health
38 and medical services to a victim or claimant. A licensed health care
39 provider who accepts the full allowable payment for those services from a
40 victim compensation program funded pursuant to this section is deemed to
41 have accepted the payment as the full payment for those services. The
42 licensed health care provider may not collect or attempt to collect any
43 payment for the same health and medical services from the victim or
44 claimant, except that if a victim compensation program funded pursuant to
45 this section is unable to pay the full allowable payment to a licensed

1 health care provider because of a lack of available monies or for any
2 other reason, the licensed health care provider may collect the unpaid
3 balance for the services from the victim or claimant or from a third-party
4 payor, and the total amount billed or requested by the licensed health
5 care provider may not exceed the full allowable payment that the licensed
6 health care provider agreed to accept from the victim compensation program
7 for the services.

8 F. If a licensed health care provider receives notice that a person
9 has filed a claim with a victim compensation program funded by this
10 section, the licensed health care provider is prohibited from any debt
11 collection activity for any monies owed by the person that are included in
12 the filed claim until an award is made on the claim or until a
13 determination is made that the claim is noncompensable. For the purposes
14 of this subsection, "debt collection activity" includes repeatedly
15 telephoning or writing to the claimant and threatening to either turn the
16 matter over to a debt collection agency or to an attorney for collection,
17 enforcement or filing of any other debt collection process. Debt
18 collection activity does not include routine billing or inquiries about
19 the status of the claim.

20 G. For the purposes of this section, "licensed health care
21 provider" means a person or institution that is licensed or certified by
22 this state to provide health care services, medical services, nursing
23 services, emergency medical services and ambulance services that are
24 regulated pursuant to title 36, chapter 21.1, article 2 or other
25 health-related services.

26 Sec. 10. Section 41-2408, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
27 read:

28 41-2408. Criminal justice data collection; reporting
29 requirements; definition

30 A. The ~~Arizona~~ SHERIFFS' criminal justice commission is designated
31 as the central collection point for criminal justice data collection.

32 B. Unless prohibited by federal or state law, the ~~Arizona~~ SHERIFFS'
33 criminal justice commission may require any state or local criminal
34 justice agency to submit any necessary information that is currently
35 collected and readily reportable by the agency at the time of the request,
36 including an agency's compliance with statutorily required reports or
37 mandated federal or state reporting, or any other information that is
38 deemed necessary by a vote of the full commission.

39 C. This section does not authorize the ~~Arizona~~ SHERIFFS' criminal
40 justice commission to require state or local criminal justice agencies to
41 collect or maintain any new data that is not required under subsection B
42 of this section.

43 D. For the purposes of this section, "criminal justice agency" has
44 the same meaning prescribed in section 41-1750.

1 Sec. 11. Section 41-2409, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
2 read:

3 41-2409. State aid; administration; report

4 A. The ~~Arizona~~ SHERIFFS' criminal justice commission shall
5 administer the state aid to county attorneys fund established by section
6 11-539. On or before September 1 of each year, the commission shall
7 distribute monies in the fund to each county according to the following
8 composite index formula:

9 1. The three-year average of the total felony filings in the
10 superior court in the county, divided by the statewide three-year average
11 of the total felony filings in the superior court.

12 2. The county population, as adopted by the office of economic
13 opportunity, divided by the statewide population, as adopted by the office
14 of economic opportunity.

15 3. The sum of paragraphs 1 and 2 of this subsection divided by two
16 equals the composite index.

17 4. The composite index for each county shall be used as the
18 multiplier against the total ~~funds~~ MONIES appropriated from the state
19 general fund and other monies distributed to the fund pursuant to section
20 41-2421.

21 B. The board of supervisors in each county shall separately account
22 for the monies transmitted pursuant to subsection A of this section and
23 may expend these monies only for the purposes specified in section
24 11-539. The county treasurer shall invest these monies and interest
25 earned shall be expended only for the purposes specified in section
26 11-539.

27 C. The ~~Arizona~~ SHERIFFS' criminal justice commission shall
28 administer the state aid to indigent defense fund established by section
29 11-588. By September 1 of each fiscal year, the commission shall
30 distribute monies in the fund to each county according to the following
31 composite index formula:

32 1. The three-year average of the total felony filings in the
33 superior court in the county divided by the statewide three-year average
34 of the total felony filings in the superior court.

35 2. The county population, as adopted by the office of economic
36 opportunity, divided by the statewide population, as adopted by the office
37 of economic opportunity.

38 3. The sum of paragraphs 1 and 2 of this subsection divided by two
39 equals the composite index.

40 4. The composite index for each county shall be used as the
41 multiplier against the total ~~funds~~ MONIES appropriated from the state
42 general fund and other monies distributed to the fund pursuant to section
43 41-2421.

1 D. The board of supervisors shall separately account for the monies
2 transmitted pursuant to subsection C of this section and may expend these
3 monies only for the purposes specified in section 11-588. The county
4 treasurer shall invest these monies and interest earned shall be expended
5 only for the purposes specified in section 11-588.

6 E. The ~~Arizona~~ SHERIFFS' criminal justice commission shall
7 administer the state aid for juvenile dependency proceedings fund
8 established by section 41-2410. On or before September 1 of each fiscal
9 year, the ~~Arizona~~ SHERIFFS' criminal justice commission shall distribute
10 monies in the fund to each eligible county in which the three-year average
11 of the total juvenile dependency case filings in the superior court in the
12 county exceeds the three-year average juvenile dependency case filings in
13 the superior court of the county for fiscal years 2012-2013, 2013-2014 and
14 2014-2015 based on the proportional share of the increase in petitions for
15 each county.

16 F. The board of supervisors shall separately account for the monies
17 distributed pursuant to subsection E of this section and may spend these
18 monies only for the purposes specified in section 41-2410. The county
19 treasurer shall invest these monies and interest earned shall be spent
20 only for the purposes specified in section 41-2410.

21 G. On or before January 8 each year, the commission shall report to
22 each county board of supervisors, the governor, the legislature, the joint
23 legislative budget committee, the chief justice of the supreme court and
24 the attorney general on the expenditure of the monies in the state aid to
25 county attorneys fund and the state aid to indigent defense fund for the
26 prior fiscal year and on the progress made in achieving the goal of
27 improved criminal case processing.

28 Sec. 12. Section 41-2410, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
29 read:

30 41-2410. State aid for juvenile dependency proceedings fund;
31 exemption

32 A. The state aid for juvenile dependency proceedings fund is
33 established consisting of legislative appropriations. Monies in the fund
34 shall be used to provide state aid to county public defenders, legal
35 defenders and contract indigent defense counsel for the processing of
36 juvenile dependency cases.

37 B. The ~~Arizona~~ SHERIFFS' criminal justice commission shall
38 administer the fund. Monies in the fund are continuously appropriated and
39 are exempt from the provisions of section 35-190 relating to lapsing of
40 appropriations. The commission shall distribute monies in the fund to
41 each county pursuant to section 41-2409, subsection E.

42 C. On notice from the commission, the state treasurer shall invest
43 and divest monies in the fund as provided by section 35-313, and monies
44 earned from investments shall be credited to the fund.

1 Sec. 13. Section 41-2414, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
2 read:

3 41-2414. Law enforcement crime victim notification fund;
4 software; vendor requirement; use of monies;
5 definition

6 A. The law enforcement crime victim notification fund is
7 established consisting of legislative appropriations. The ~~Arizona~~
8 ~~SHERIFFS'~~ criminal justice commission shall administer the fund. Monies
9 in the fund are continuously appropriated. Notwithstanding any other law,
10 the ~~Arizona~~ ~~SHERIFFS'~~ criminal justice commission shall use fund monies to
11 expand the commission's automated crime victim notification system and to
12 fund software that does the following:

13 1. Complies with all of the following:

14 (a) Article II, section 2.1, Constitution of Arizona.

15 (b) Title 8, chapter 3, article 7.

16 (c) Title 13, chapter 40.

17 2. Enables the ~~Arizona~~ ~~SHERIFFS'~~ criminal justice commission to
18 deploy an automated crime victim notification system to a user base
19 consisting of law enforcement agencies. The automated crime victim
20 notification system must do the following:

21 (a) Automatically, and without the requirement to download a
22 software application or to opt in to notifications, notify the victim by
23 email or text of all of the following regarding a victim's law enforcement
24 crime report, investigation and case, if approved by the law enforcement
25 agency:

26 (i) The date on which the report is filed.

27 (ii) The case number.

28 (iii) The name of the detective who is assigned to the case.

29 (iv) When arrests are made.

30 (v) When warrants are issued.

31 (vi) When the case is sent to the prosecuting agency.

32 (vii) Initial appearance.

33 (b) Interface with the law enforcement agency's system of record.

34 (c) Provide configurable triggers to send messages to crime
35 victims.

36 (d) Provide the ability to attach informational brochures or other
37 electronic attachments to the messages.

38 (e) Provide the ability for victims to find their case status on
39 the vendors' websites with links that are available on the law enforcement
40 agency's website.

41 (f) Be configurable to the requirements of each law enforcement
42 agency in this state.

43 (g) Include the law enforcement agency's branding, email address
44 and web domain for all communications.

45 (h) Provide the ability to send messages in multiple languages.

1 (i) Provide a short code or a long code telephone number with a
2 local area code.

3 (j) Monitor the number of messages sent and the types of messages
4 sent and visualize the data.

5 3. Provides a criminal justice information service compliant
6 automated victim notification platform that ensures the following:

7 (a) Crime victims are automatically notified by text, automated
8 telephone call or email following any updates to their case.

9 (b) Law enforcement agencies determine the notifications.

10 (c) Crime victims are able to proactively locate their case status
11 online.

12 (d) No additional staffing is required.

13 4. Provides for multiagency notification to enable an agency to
14 automatically share the status of an incident or investigation with an
15 identified partner agency based on configurable criteria.

16 5. Allows victims to leverage conversational artificial
17 intelligence for bidirectional real-time communication with law
18 enforcement agencies through voice, text messages and emails. The system
19 shall provide a virtual agent that responds to and asks questions based on
20 the victim's questions and responses.

21 6. Provides a mechanism to track whether there is a data outage at
22 a law enforcement agency and informs the law enforcement agency and the
23 ~~Arizona~~ SHERIFFS' criminal justice commission of the data outage. During
24 an outage period, the software system shall have a backup process for law
25 enforcement agencies to ensure that notifications are made in a timely and
26 accurate manner.

27 7. Complies with the technical guidelines and standards for the
28 operation of a statewide automated crime victim information and
29 notification system recommended by the United States department of
30 justice's bureau of justice assistance.

31 8. Provides a designated statewide toll-free number that is
32 available twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week, that is operated by
33 trained operators available in multiple languages and that allows victims,
34 surviving immediate family members, witnesses and other concerned citizens
35 to search for and obtain information about an offender, inmate or case and
36 to register for notifications.

37 B. The vendors chosen by the ~~Arizona~~ SHERIFFS' criminal justice
38 commission to be part of the partnership must have previously deployed a
39 solution for a city police department, sheriff's office and prosecutor's
40 office. The previously deployed solutions could have been deployed in
41 Arizona or in another state, or a combination of both.

42 C. The ~~Arizona~~ SHERIFFS' criminal justice commission shall use the
43 monies in the fund to pay for law enforcement agencies that choose to use
44 the automated crime victim notification system.

1 D. For the purposes of this section, "law enforcement agency"
2 includes a state, city, town, county, tribal, university or prosecutorial
3 agency.

4 Sec. 14. Section 41-2420, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
5 read:

6 41-2420. County jail juvenile improvement fund; exemption

7 A. The county jail juvenile improvement fund is established for the
8 purpose of funding the construction of new juvenile beds in county jail
9 facilities in which juveniles will be detained. The ~~Arizona~~ SHERIFFS'
10 criminal justice commission shall administer the fund.

11 B. Monies in the fund are exempt from the provisions of section
12 35-190 relating to the lapsing of appropriations.

13 Sec. 15. Section 41-2421, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
14 read:

15 41-2421. Enhanced collections; allocation of monies; criminal
16 justice entities

17 A. Notwithstanding any other law and except as provided in
18 subsection J of this section, five ~~per cent~~ PERCENT of any monies
19 collected by the supreme court and the court of appeals for the payment of
20 filing fees, including clerk fees, diversion fees, fines, penalties,
21 surcharges, sanctions and forfeitures, shall be deposited, pursuant to
22 sections 35-146 and 35-147, and allocated pursuant to the formula in
23 subsection B of this section. This subsection does not apply to monies
24 collected by the courts pursuant to section 16-954, subsection A, or for
25 child support, restitution or exonerated bonds.

26 B. The monies deposited pursuant to subsection A of this section
27 shall be allocated according to the following formula:

28 1. 21.61 ~~per cent~~ PERCENT to the state aid to county attorneys fund
29 established by section 11-539.

30 2. 20.53 ~~per cent~~ PERCENT to the state aid to indigent defense fund
31 established by section 11-588.

32 3. 57.37 ~~per cent~~ PERCENT to the state aid to the courts fund
33 established by section 12-102.02.

34 4. 0.49 ~~per cent~~ PERCENT to the department of law for the
35 processing of criminal cases.

36 C. Notwithstanding any other law and except as provided in
37 subsection J of this section, five ~~per cent~~ PERCENT of any monies
38 collected by the superior court, including the clerk of the court and the
39 justice courts in each county for the payment of filing fees, including
40 clerk fees, diversion fees, adult and juvenile probation fees, juvenile
41 monetary assessments, fines, penalties, surcharges, sanctions and
42 forfeitures, shall be transmitted to the county treasurer for allocation
43 pursuant to subsections E, F, G and H of this section. This subsection
44 does not apply to monies collected by the courts pursuant to section

1 16-954, subsection A or for child support, restitution or exonerated
2 bonds.

3 D. The supreme court shall adopt guidelines regarding the
4 collection of revenues pursuant to subsections A and C of this section.

5 E. The county treasurer shall allocate the monies deposited
6 pursuant to subsection C of this section according to the following
7 formula:

8 1. 21.61 ~~per cent~~ PERCENT for the purposes specified in section
9 11-539.

10 2. 20.53 ~~per cent~~ PERCENT for the purposes specified in section
11 11-588.

12 3. 57.37 ~~per cent~~ PERCENT to the local courts assistance fund
13 established by section 12-102.03.

14 4. 0.49 ~~per cent~~ PERCENT to the state treasurer for transmittal to
15 the department of law for the processing of criminal cases.

16 F. The board of supervisors in each county shall separately account
17 for all monies received pursuant to subsections C and E of this section
18 and expenditures of these monies may be made only after the requirements
19 of subsections G and H of this section have been met.

20 G. By December 1 of each year each county board of supervisors
21 shall certify if the total revenues received by the justice courts and the
22 superior court, including the clerk of the superior court, exceed the
23 amount received in fiscal year 1997-1998. If the board so certifies, then
24 the board shall distribute the lesser of either:

25 1. The total amount deposited pursuant to subsection C of this
26 section.

27 2. The amount collected and deposited pursuant to subsection C of
28 this section that exceeds the base year collections of fiscal year
29 1997-1998. These monies shall be distributed according to the formula
30 specified in subsection E of this section. Any monies remaining after
31 this allocation shall be transmitted as otherwise provided by law.

32 H. If a county board of supervisors determines that the total
33 revenues transmitted by the superior court, including the clerk of the
34 superior court and the justice courts in the county, do not equal the base
35 year collections transmitted in fiscal year 1997-1998 the monies specified
36 in subsection C of this section shall be transmitted by the county
37 treasurer as otherwise provided by law.

38 I. For the purposes of this section, base year collections shall be
39 those collections specified in subsection C of this section.

40 J. Monies collected pursuant to section 12-116.01, subsection B
41 shall be allocated as follows:

42 1. 15.44 ~~per cent~~ PERCENT to the state aid to county attorneys fund
43 established by section 11-539.

44 2. 14.66 ~~per cent~~ PERCENT to the state aid to indigent defense fund
45 established by section 11-588.

1 3. 40.97 ~~per cent~~ PERCENT to the state aid to the courts fund
2 established by section 12-102.02.

3 4. 0.35 ~~per cent~~ PERCENT to the department of law for the
4 processing of criminal cases.

5 5. 14.29 ~~per cent~~ PERCENT to the ~~Arizona~~ SHERIFFS' criminal justice
6 commission for distribution to state, county and municipal law enforcement
7 full service forensic crime laboratories pursuant to rules adopted by the
8 ~~Arizona~~ SHERIFFS' criminal justice commission.

9 6. 14.29 ~~per cent~~ PERCENT to the supreme court for allocation to
10 the municipal courts pursuant to subsection K of this section.

11 K. The supreme court shall administer and allocate the monies
12 received pursuant to subsection J, paragraph 6 of this section to the
13 municipal courts based on the total amount of surcharges transmitted
14 pursuant to section 12-116.01 by that jurisdiction's city treasurer to the
15 state treasurer for the prior fiscal year divided by the total amount of
16 surcharges transmitted to the state treasurer pursuant to section
17 12-116.01 by all city treasurers statewide for the prior fiscal year. The
18 municipal court shall use the monies received to improve, maintain and
19 enhance the ability to collect and manage monies assessed or received by
20 the courts, to improve court automation and to improve case processing or
21 the administration of justice. The municipal court shall submit a plan to
22 the supreme court and the supreme court shall approve the plan before the
23 municipal court begins to spend these allocated monies.

24 Sec. 16. Repeal

25 Section 41-3025.01, Arizona Revised Statutes, is repealed.

26 Sec. 17. Title 41, chapter 27, article 2, Arizona Revised Statutes,
27 is amended by adding section 41-3033.01, to read:

28 41-3033.01. Sheriffs' criminal justice commission:
29 termination July 1, 2033

30 A. THE SHERIFFS' CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMISSION TERMINATES ON JULY
31 1, 2033.

32 B. SECTIONS 41-2404 AND 41-2405 AND THIS SECTION ARE REPEALED ON
33 JANUARY 1, 2034.

34 Sec. 18. Report

35 On or before March 1, 2026, the sheriffs' criminal justice
36 commission established pursuant to the new section 41-2404, Arizona
37 Revised Statutes, as added by this act, shall provide a report to the
38 governor, the president of the senate and the speaker of the house of
39 representatives that contains recommendations on all of the following:

40 1. If any duties currently designated to the commission should be
41 repealed.

42 2. If any duties currently designated to the commission should be
43 transferred to another appropriate agency or department in this state.

44 3. If any additional duties should be statutorily designated to the
45 commission.

1 Sec. 19. Succession

2 A. As provided by this act, the sheriffs' criminal justice
3 commission succeeds to the authority, powers, duties and responsibilities
4 of the Arizona criminal justice commission.

5 B. This act does not alter the effect of any actions that were
6 taken or impair the valid obligations of the Arizona criminal justice
7 commission in existence before July 1, 2025.

8 C. Administrative rules and orders that were adopted by the Arizona
9 criminal justice commission continue in effect until superseded by
10 administrative action by the sheriffs' criminal justice commission.

11 D. All administrative matters, contracts and judicial and
12 quasi-judicial actions, whether completed, pending or in process, of the
13 Arizona criminal justice commission on July 1, 2025 are transferred to and
14 retain the same status as the sheriffs' criminal justice commission.

15 E. All equipment, records, furnishings and other property, data and
16 investigative findings, all obligations and all appropriated monies that
17 remain unexpended and unencumbered on January 1, 2025 of the Arizona
18 criminal justice commission are transferred to the sheriffs' criminal
19 justice commission.

20 F. All personnel who are under the state personnel system and
21 employed by the Arizona criminal justice commission are transferred to
22 comparable positions and pay classifications in the respective
23 administrative units of the sheriffs' criminal justice commission on July
24 1, 2025.

25 Sec. 20. Conforming legislation

26 The legislative council staff shall prepare proposed legislation
27 conforming the Arizona Revised Statutes to the provisions of this act for
28 consideration in the fifty-seventh legislature, second regular session.

29 Sec. 21. Retroactivity

30 This act applies retroactively to from and after July 1, 2025.