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# 2020 New Laws Training

## LA County Domestic Violence Council

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# Criminal Law

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## AB 433

### Early Probation Termination

➤ Early termination of probation:

1. Prosecution entitled to **two-day** written notice and opportunity to be heard in open court.
2. Notice by **prosecutor** to **victim** *required* upon victim request.
3. Prosecutor must request **continuance** if victim **restitution** or restitution fines/fees outstanding.

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## AB 668

### Courthouses: Privilege from civil arrest

- Codifies parts of the common law privilege against civil arrest.
- A person can't be subjected to civil arrest in relation to one legal matter while attending a judicial proceeding for another.
- Does not protect a criminal suspect from arrest pursuant to a judicial warrant.

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**SB 36**  
**Pretrial Risk Assessment Tools**

<p><i>Pretrial Services Agency</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➢ Must coordinate with Judicial Council to validate pretrial risk assessment tool by <b>January 1, 2021</b> and regularly thereafter at least once every three years.</li> <li>➢ Must make certain information, including validation studies, publicly available.</li> </ul>	<p><i>Judicial Council</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➢ Must maintain a list of pretrial services agencies that have satisfied validation requirements and complied with transparency requirements</li> <li>➢ Must publish a report on its website by <b>December 31, 2020</b> and annually thereafter with data related to outcomes and potential biases in pretrial release.</li> <li>➢ On or before <b>July 1, 2022</b>, must provide a report to the courts and the legislature containing recommendations to mitigate bias in pretrial decision-making.</li> </ul>
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**SB 273**  
**Statute of Limitations**

- Statute of limitations for **PC 273.5** extended to **5 years**
- for crimes committed on or after January 1, 2020, and
- for crimes for which the statute of limitations that was in effect prior to January 1, 2020, has not run as of January 1, 2020.

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**SB 273**  
**Post Training in DV Cases**

<p>Training Courses <b>MUST</b> Now Include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➢ Current and historical context on communities of color impacted by incarceration and violence</li> <li>➢ Interview techniques (Separate victim from perpetrator, GVROs, Option for follow-up visit)</li> <li>➢ Discussion of non-physical DV (e.g., coercion, false imprisonment, identity theft, stalking)</li> </ul>	<p>Trainers <b>MAY</b> now include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➢ DV survivors</li> <li>➢ Rehabilitated perpetrators</li> <li>➢ Experts in treating DV offenders</li> </ul>
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**AB 415**  
**Pet Benefit bill**

- Reimbursement for relocation costs now may include the cost of temporary housing for any pets belonging to the victim upon immediate relocation (including security and pet deposits) as a result of a crime.
- \$2,000 max
- Relocation of victim must still be necessary for victim's personal safety or emotional well-being

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**SB 375**  
**Victim Restitution Deadlines**

- Extends time to file an application for compensation from 3 to 7 years of the last occurring event:
  - Date of the crime
  - Date victim turns 21
  - Date of the discovery that injury or death had been sustained as a direct result of the crime.

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**Civil Law**

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**AB 1165**  
**Child Custody: Supervised Visitation**

- Requires professional supervised visitation provider to be registered as TrustLine Provider (Starting 1/1/21)
- Requires completion of Live Scan criminal background check
- Revises training requirements:
  - Training must be completed prior to supervision visitation
  - At least 12 of 24 hours be in-person
  - Beginning 1/1/21, the required training on child abuse reporting law must be done through the State Dept. of Social Service's online training course for mandated reporters.

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**AB 1482**  
**Tenant Protections**

- Owners are prohibited to terminate a tenancy without **just cause**
- Owners must give **notice of violation** and an opportunity to cure the violation prior to issuing the notice of termination
- If owner does not provide **relocation assistance**, the notice of termination is void
- Owners of residential real property are prohibited to increase the gross rental rate for a dwelling or unit more than 5% over the course of any 12-month period until January 1, 2030

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## And the miscellaneous ones...

- **SB329**  
Bars section 8 discrimination
- **AB602**  
Civil Suits for intimate photos
- **AB917**  
Shortens deadlines for U&T visa certifications
- **AB1735**  
Human trafficking caseworker privilege

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## Other Issues

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## AB 728 Homeless Multidisciplinary Team

- Pilot program in 7 counties to expand scope of homeless adult and family multidisciplinary personnel team to include serving individuals **at risk of homelessness**
  - Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego, Santa Clara, Ventura
- Allows for sharing of confidential information (requires notification to person)
- Adds case managers to MDT
- Allows expedited identification, assessment, and linkage to services for people at risk of homelessness
- Has a focus on individuals who are indigent, exiting/recently exited detention or treatment setting, and with significant health, mental health, or substance use issues

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## AB 960 CalWORKs Homeless Assistance

- Broadens eligibility for CalWORKs homeless assistance benefits by expanding types of housing.
  - May include a person or establishment with whom a family has executed a valid lease, sublease or shared housing agreement.

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## 2020 Elections – March Primary Voting is Changing in LA County

- VSAP expands options for all voters, especially DV Survivors
  - Eligible voters can vote at Any Vote Center in LA County
    - 250 locations open for eleven days (February 22nd to March 3rd)
    - Additional 750 locations open for final four day period (February 29th to March 3rd)
  - New Ballot Marking Device is not Electronic Voting, requires a paper ballot
    - There is no network or internet connection
  - Voters will review their ballot TWICE before casting vote
- Check your registration, find a vote center : [www.lavote.net](http://www.lavote.net)

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### ACCESSIBILITY | Human centered design that makes voting easy, user-friendly, and accessible to all.

The new voting experience in Los Angeles County is designed to be intuitive and accessible for all voters. Innovative changes give all voters regardless of age, background, disability or language a private and independent voting experience that is easy and convenient.

- FLEXIBLE OPTIONS**  

 Voters will be able to vote at any vote center throughout the County for an election period of up to 11 days. All voting devices at vote centers are fully accessible.
- INTERACTIVE SAMPLE BALLOT (ISB)**  

 The ISB is a convenient option for voters who want to pre-mark their selections at home, using a personal device with their preferred tools. The ISB creates a Poll Pass - like an online marking pass. At the vote center, voters scan the Poll Pass to transfer their selections to the BMD. Then, they can review and change their votes before casting their ballot.
- BALLOT MARKING DEVICE (BMD)**  

 The BMD makes it easy for voters to customize the voting experience to fit their needs. Voters can adjust settings on the BMD including user interface contrast, text size, screen angle, and audio volume and speed.
 

Four user interface modes make it easy for all voters to vote privately and independently.

<b>Touch</b> Interact with the touchscreen	<b>Touch + Audio</b> Interact with the touchscreen and hear audio instructions through headphones	<b>Controller + Audio</b> Interact with a game controller with audible options and adjustable speed of play. The audio is available through headphones	<b>A/B or Dual Switch Port</b> Interact with our new game controller, using the available port for auxiliary technology devices. Our responsive system is also available through headphones
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For more information, visit [VSAP.lavote.net](http://VSAP.lavote.net)

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## Census 2020

- Every person, of all ages, counts
- It's about fair representation
- It's about the allocation of \$675 billion federal funding, including health care and social services
- It's in the constitution
- Privacy is protected by law for 72 years

March 12-20	Invitations to the 2020 Census mailed
March 14-24	Reminder letters mailed
March 24-April 3	Reminder postcard mailed
April 1	CENSUS DAY!
April 8-14	Second reminder & hard copy Census mailed
April 20-27	Final postcards mailed before on in person follow-up

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