

TRAINING BULLETIN

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**NEW LAWS FOR 2026**

**I. PURPOSE**

This training bulletin is provided to provide personnel with upcoming Penal Code and other law changes **starting January 1, 2026.**

**II. SCOPE**

This Training Bulletin applies to all Department personnel.

**III. PROCEDURES**

- A. Several changes have been signed into law and **will go into effect on January 1, 2026.** The following laws are brought forth by the California Legislature and are provided for personnel to become familiar with before any enforcement.
- B. Department personnel shall read and understand these laws before conducting enforcement. All Department personnel are responsible for reviewing these laws in their entirety to be familiar with and knowledgeable of the current laws.
- C. The following laws are effective January 1, 2026.

**1. CRIMES AND CRIMINAL PROCEDURE**

a. [AB 476 – Metal Theft](#)

See Business and Professions Code Sections 21606 and 21609.1(amended) and Penal Code Sections 496a and 496e (amended)

- b. [AB 486 – Burglary Tools](#)  
See Penal Code 466 (amended)
- c. [AB 535 - Threatening a Witness: Assisting a Prosecution.](#)  
See Penal Code 136.1 (amended)
- d. [SB 734 - Discrimination](#)  
See Government Code Section 3305.6 (Added) and Penal Code Sections 745, 1473, 1473.7, and 13510.8 (amended)
- e. [AB 847 - Peace officers: Confidentiality of Records](#)  
See Government Code Section 25303.7 (amended), and Penal Code Section 832.7 (amended)
- f. [AB 1802 – CRIMES: RETAIL THEFT](#)  
See Penal Code Section 490.4 (Amended)

**SUMMARY:**

Extends the crime of organized retail theft indefinitely, removing January 1, 2026 sunset.

Removes January 1, 2026 sunset for regional property crimes task forces, making them permanent.

**2. FIREARMS**

- a. [AB 1127 \(Gabriel\) Firearms: Converter Pistols](#)  
See Civil Code Section 3273.50 (amended), Penal Code Section 16880 (amended), and Penal Code Sections 16885, 17015, 27595, 27595.1, and 32103 (added)
- b. [AB 1263 - Firearms: Ghost Guns](#)  
See Civil Code Sections 3273.50, 3273.51, 3273.60, and 3273.61 (amended), Civil Code Section 3273.625 (added), Penal Code Section 29805 (amended), and Penal Code Section 29186 (added)

c. [AB 383 - Firearms: Prohibition for Minors](#)

See Penal Code Sections 1524, 29615, and 29810 (amended)

d. [SB 899 - FIREARMS: PROTECTIVE ORDERS](#)

See Code of Civil Procedure Sections 527.9 (Repealed and Added), Sections 527.11 and 527.12 (Added) Family Code Sections 3044 and 6389 (Repealed and Added) Penal Code Sections 1524, 11108.2, 18120, 25555, 26379, 26405, 26540, 28100, 29810, 29830, and 30342 (Amended) and 18120.5 (Added)

3. MISCELLANEOUS LAWS

a. [AB 463 - Emergency Medical Transport: Dogs and Cats](#)

See Health and Safety Code Section 1799.109 (amended) and Section 1797.10 (added)

b. [AB 1178 - Peace Officers: Confidentiality of Records](#)

See Penal Code Section 832.7 (amended)

c. [AB 1388 - Peace Officers: Settlement Agreements](#)

See Penal Code Sections 832.7 and 13510.9 (amended)

d. [SB 524 - Law Enforcement: Artificial Intelligence](#)

See Penal Code Section 13663 (added)

**See Department Order 25-XX**

e. [SB 627 - Law enforcement: masks](#)

See statutes: Adds Chapter 17.45 (commencing with Section 7289). to Division 7 of Title 1 of the Government Code, and Penal Code Section 185.5 (added)

**See Department Order 25-XX for details**

f. [SB 701 - Signal Jammers](#)

See Penal Code Section 636.6 (added)

g. **[SB 805 – Visible ID for Law Enforcement](#)**

Adds Chapter 17.45 (commencing with Section 7288). to Division 7 of Title 1 of the Government Code, Penal Code Sections 538d, 538e, 538f, 538g, 538h, and 1299.07 (amended), and Penal Code Sections 13653 and 13654 (Added)

**See Department Order 25-XX**

**4. PROSTITUTION/SEX CRIMES/HUMAN TRAFFICKING**

a. **[AB 379 - Crimes: Prostitution.](#)**

See Civil Code Sections 52.6 and 52.65 (amended), Penal Code Section 647 (amended), Penal Code Sections 647.5 and 653.25 (added), and add Chapter 5.8 (commencing with Section 13849) to Title 6 of Part 4 of the Penal Code

**5. RULES OF THE ROAD/TRANSPORTATION**

a. **[AB 289 – State Highway Work Zone Speed Safety Program](#)**

See Vehicle Code Article 5 (added) and Government Code Section 70615 (amended)

b. **[AB 390 - Vehicles: Highway Safety](#)**

See Vehicle Code Section 21809 (amended)

c. **[AB 544 - Electric Bicycles: Required Equipment](#)**

See Vehicle Code Sections 21201 and 21212 (amended)

d. **[AB 545 - Vehicles: Electric Bicycles](#)**

See Vehicle Code Section 24016 (amended)

d. **[AB 875 - Vehicle removal](#)**

See Vehicle Code Sections 22651.08 (added)

e. [AB 965 - Vehicles: Electric Bicycles](#)

See Vehicle Code Sections 21212.5 (added)

Existing Law defines a “class 3 electric bicycle” as a bicycle equipped with a speedometer and a motor that provides assistance only when the rider is pedaling, and that ceases to provide assistance when the bicycle reaches the speed of 28 miles per hour. A violation of this section is an infraction and punishable by a fine not to exceed \$250.

f. [AB 435 - Vehicles: Child Passenger Restraints](#)

See Vehicle Code Sections 27315, 27318, 27360.5, and 27363 (amended)

**NOTE:** All amendments to 22651 CVC were not set forth by the California Legislature as of January 1, 2025, and any legislation has been placed on hold pending further deliberation in the legislature. All Department personnel are advised that 22651 CVC remains the same. Refer to Department Procedure 7.08 for guidance.

Department Order 24-10 still remains in effect, and Department members shall not impound a legally parked vehicle solely based on California Vehicle Code section 22651(i) or other applicable sections.

If you have any questions, please contact the Research, Analysis, and Planning (RAP) Division.

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Please read at squad conferences and give a copy to all personnel.