

# AJA June Monthly Report

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## Medicaid Reentry Section 1115 Demonstration Opportunity

HHS is offering states the opportunity to apply for a new Medicaid Reentry Section 1115 Demonstration Opportunity. This demonstration would allow state Medicaid programs to cover a package of pre-release services for up to 90 days before the individual's expected release date. These services could include substance use disorder treatment, mental health treatment, and other services to help incarcerated people succeed and thrive during reentry.

The demonstration is authorized under Section 1115 of the Social Security Act, which gives HHS the authority to approve experimental, pilot, or demonstration projects that are likely to assist in promoting the objectives of the Medicaid program. The demonstration is designed to help states improve the health and well-being of incarcerated people and help them succeed during reentry.

The application deadline for the demonstration is July 15, 2023.

Some of the key benefits of the Medicaid Reentry Section 1115 Demonstration Opportunity include:

- It would allow states to cover a wider range of services for incarcerated people, including substance use disorder treatment, mental health treatment, and other services to help them succeed during reentry.
- It would provide states with additional flexibility to design and implement programs that meet the needs of their incarcerated populations.
- It would help states improve the health and well-being of incarcerated people and help them succeed during reentry.

We have reached out to HHS to setup a meeting with AJA to discuss the opportunity. In part, we received the following statement from ONDCP: "We want to see every jail and prison across America offer this lifesaving care." We have had ongoing conversations with the Biden Administrations ONDCP as they look reengage on several areas including Reentry and opioid addiction care in jails.

## Medicaid Reentry Act of 2023 – HR 2400 / S 1165 – Sen. Tammy Baldwin (D-WI) / Rep. Paul Tonko (D-NY) | Due Process Continuity of Care Act – HR 3074 / S 971 – Rep. David Trone (D-MD) / Sen. Bill Cassidy (R-LA)

On June 21st, the House Energy and Commerce Committee held a hearing on bills that would build upon the Support Act Reauthorization that included two bills that are at the top of our legislative goals.

During her comments while chairing the House E&C hearing on the opioid crisis, Chairwoman Rodgers (R-OR) made a statement regarding her concerns regarding the Reentry Act and related legislation:

"Before I close, I'd like to note my concerns on the Reentry Act and the Due Process Continuity of Care Act...I support the goal of ensuring that people who are incarcerated have the tools to safely re-enter their communities and get the care that they need...This is why I supported policies from Congressman Hudson last year that helped children who are incarcerated receive necessary treatments.

However, I have reservations about the bills in their current forms and believe that we need to know first what barriers exist for states, localities, and the Bureau of Prisons from providing care, which they're all currently required to do, instead of further expanding Medicaid and shifting costs to the federal government."

There has been a slew of new cosponsors signed on the legislation in the House and Senate and our collective efforts have been realized:

Current House cosponsors (\* denotes a member/staff with whom Lobbyit has met):

- D - Paul Tonko (P)\*
- D - Andrea Salinas (C)
- D - Marc Veasey (C)\*
- D - Kim Schrier (C)
- D - Derek Kilmer (C)
- D - Gerry Connolly (C)

- D - Becca Balint (C)
- R - John Curtis (C)
- D - Jasmine Crockett (C)
- R - Nancy Mace (C)\*
- R - John Joyce (C)
- D - Madeleine Dean (C)
- R - Brian Fitzpatrick (C)\*
- D - Suzanne Bonamici (C)
- R - Mike Carey (C)
- R - Dave Joyce (C)
- R - Mike Turner (C)
- R - Bill Johnson (C)\*
- R - John Rutherford (C)
- D - Lisa Blunt Rochester (C)
- D - Brittany Pettersen (C)
- D - Nanette Barragan (C)
- R - Kelly Armstrong (C)\*
- D - Deborah Ross (C)
- R - Marc Molinaro (C)\*
- R - Mike Lawler (C)\*
- D - Dan Goldman (C)
- D - Bonnie Watson Coleman (C)
- D - Donald Norcross (C)
- D - Annie Kuster (C)
- R - Don Bacon (C)\*
- D - Bill Keating (C)
- D - Steve Lynch (C)
- D - Seth Moulton (C)
- D - Lori Trahan (C)
- D - David Trone (C)\*
- D - Glenn Ivey (C)
- D - Chellie Pingree (C)
- D - Morgan McGarvey (C)
- R - Zach Nunn (C)
- D - Lauren Underwood (C)
- D - Jan Schakowsky (C)
- D - Tony Cardenas (C)
- D - Josh Harder (C)\*

Current Senate cosponsors (\* denotes a member/staff with whom Lobbyit has met):

- D - Tammy Baldwin (P)\*
- D - Peter Welch (C)
- D - Sheldon Whitehouse (C)\*
- R - J.D. Vance (C)\*
- D - Sherrod Brown (C)\*
- R - Bill Cassidy (C)\*
- R - Mike Braun (C)\*
- R - Shelley Capito (C)

Given Chairwoman Rodgers statements, Lobbyit believes it is imperative to set up a briefing with her team where AJA can present the need for this bill. We will work with AJA on our upcoming call to discuss timeline and next steps.

## Bipartisan Debt Limit Package Passed

On June 3, President Biden signed the Fiscal Responsibility Act (HR3746) after the White House and House GOP leaders finally reached a deal to lift the debt ceiling, in a long-awaited breakthrough that avoided an economic crisis and potential downgrading of U.S. credit.

The Fiscal Responsibility Act - in addition to raising the debt ceiling - sets standards for defense funding and caps on discretionary spending levels, claws back some pandemic aid and tax enforcement funding, toughens work requirements for safety-net programs, and streamlines energy project permitting and more.

For FY24 defense funding would see a roughly 3 percent increase above the current year, to \$886 billion, matching the president's request. Veterans health care would be funded at \$138 billion, a 16 percent increase after mandatory funds are included on top of the discretionary caps, also in line with Biden's request.

The total amount of "capped" nondefense spending in FY2024 will be cut by around \$40 billion below this year to nearly \$704 billion, a 5 percent reduction.

The bill provides offsets for higher fiscal 2024 and 2025 spending by:

- Clawing back some \$28 billion in unspent pandemic relief,
- \$1.4 billion in mandatory IRS funds appropriated for this year in the 2022 budget reconciliation law.
- Then there's an informal understanding that another \$10 billion of the mandatory IRS funding would be repurposed in each of fiscal 2024 and 2025.

Overall, the White House estimates nondefense, non-veterans spending would total \$637 billion in fiscal 2024 after "agreed-upon adjustments." That's just \$1 billion lower than the comparable figure this current fiscal year

To reach their \$637 billion figure — a \$54 billion jump from the base funding level of \$583 billion — White House officials appear to be relying on repurposing unspent pandemic aid and IRS tax enforcement money, among other "adjustments."

### OTHER ELEMENTS

1) PAYGO: Before finalizing a rule that would increase direct spending by more than \$1 billion over 10 years or \$100 million in any single year, federal agencies would have to submit a plan that reduces direct spending by an equal or greater amount. For agency actions mandated by law, agencies would also have to identify a least costly implementation option for executive rulemakings.

2) Work Requirements: By 2025, new requirements will apply to able-bodied adults from age 49 to 54 without dependents — an increase of five years. Those individuals will be required to work or attend training programs for at least 80 hours a month if they want to receive more than three months of SNAP benefits within a three-year period.

### 3) Permitting Reform

- Expedites permitting for MVP: The legislation hastens permitting for the Mountain Valley Pipeline, an Appalachian natural-gas project that would bring affordable energy to the Mid- and South Atlantic regions.

- Shortens timelines: It also "tightens the scope of environmental reviews required under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1970 and allows more projects to win approval without having to undergo the most complex types of reviews. It also sets time limits of no more than two years to complete the studies."

- Streamlines processes: by assigning review of each project to one federal agency rather than multiple agencies and allows infrastructure undertakings "to piggyback on existing reviews for similar projects rather than starting from scratch."

## FY24 Budget Update

Congress's months-long debt ceiling battle may be over, but that doesn't mean the new spending limits are sitting well with lawmakers on either side of the aisle.

The new law is already fueling divisions across party lines — and among factions of the House GOP. Speaker Kevin McCarthy (R-Calif.) rejected pressure from some Senate Republicans who were upset about curbing defense funding through the bipartisan deal — dubbed the Fiscal Responsibility Act — reached with President Biden. It's likely that these grievances will continue to shape the discourse in Congress as both chambers work through the regular appropriations and budgeting process.

While some Republicans lauded reforms in the law, GOP defense hawks have railed against the legislation for including a penalty of automatic across-the-board cuts if lawmakers don't finish their annual spending deals by the end of the calendar year. Lawmakers haven't met their annual funding deadline since 1997.

The measure passed the Senate, but not until leaders from both sides of the aisle issued a joint statement into the Congressional Record clarifying the proposed caps would not block lawmakers from passing supplemental funding for defense in the event of an emergency. Senate Majority Leader Charles Schumer (D-N.Y.) and Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell (R-Ky.) both said they were open to a future bill on the subject, placating those members who were upset with that aspect of the law.

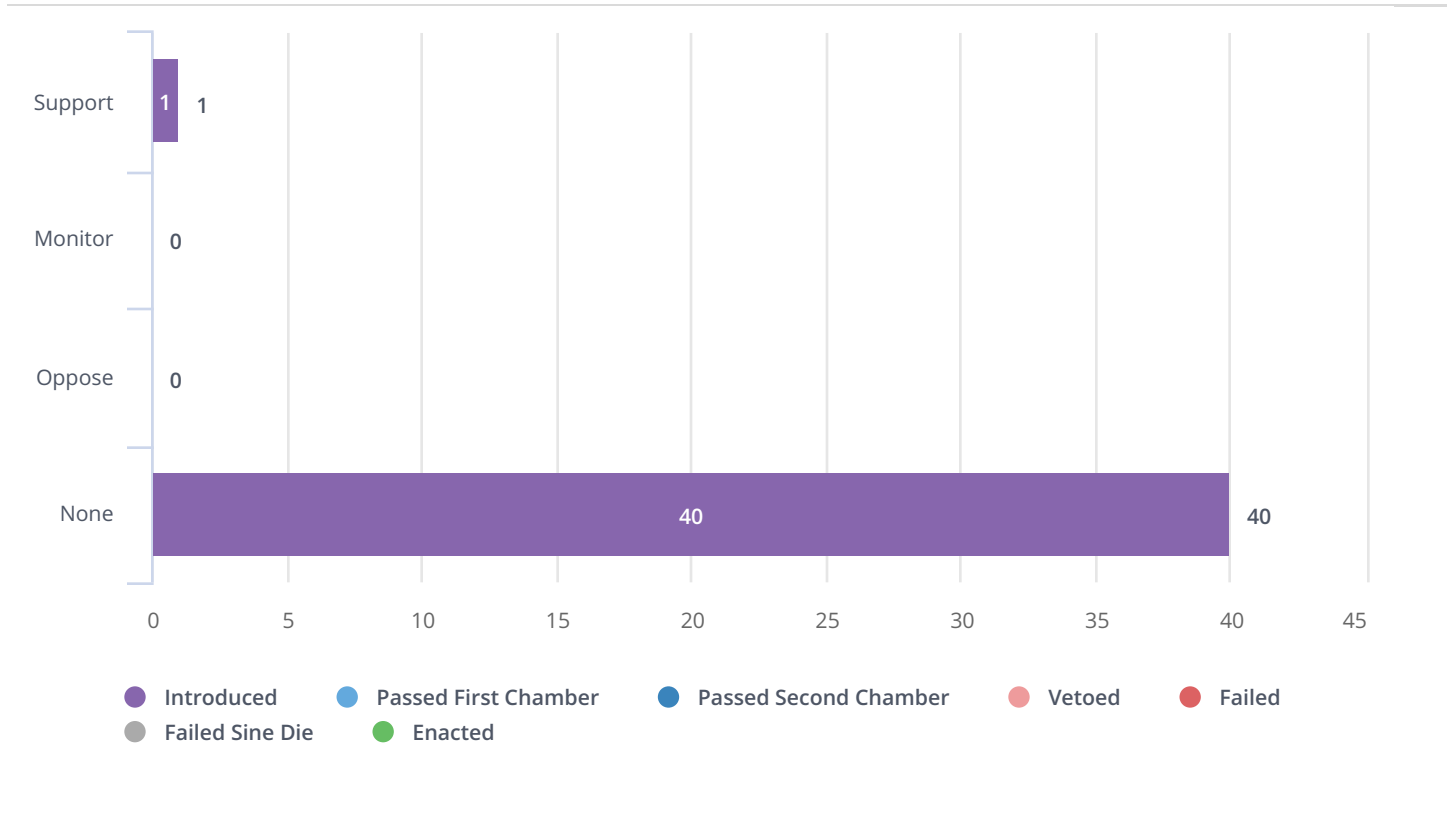
### Republicans Prepare Tax Package

House Republicans are preparing to take up some favored tax breaks as part of a broader package aimed at spurring economic growth. The proposed bill would revive three tax benefits for businesses that lapsed or began to phase down under the GOP's 2017 tax law, which Republicans have been eager to extend. Tax writers are still working on the package, but it is likely to include:

- 1) A revival of full, upfront expensing of research and development costs. As you may be aware starting in 2022, companies have had to take the deductions over five years for that spending, generally making the tax break less lucrative and leading to an outpouring of pressure from businesses.
- 2) The second provision would allow businesses to take tax deductions for 100 percent of costs for short-term investments — like machinery, equipment and buildings — in the first year they make the purchases. Starting in 2023, companies can only take deductions upfront for 80 percent of those costs, and that percentage will continue phasing down through 2026.
- 3) A third would restore a looser limit for writing off interest expenses. Beginning in 2022, businesses are limited to deductions for interest expenses of up to 30 percent of earnings before interest and taxes, and after depreciation and amortization costs are subtracted. That's less beneficial than before 2022, when companies could write off interest expenses worth up to 30 percent of earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization. Senate Dems believes tax incentives to boost the supply of affordable rental units and homes will be a driving force for both parties to agree on a tax package this year.

The House Republican tax package includes a number of bipartisan measures including to promote the construction of more affordable housing and may be the path forward on negotiations if it pairs extensions of tax benefits for businesses that Republicans hope to revive with some tax breaks benefiting lower-income families.

## Bills by Last Status and Position



## Bills by Issue

### American Jail Association (41)

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status	Position	Priority	FN Outlook
US	HCONRES 5	Referred To The House Committee On The Judiciary 2023 01 09	In House	None	None	13.3% 68.9%
<b>Title</b>		<b>Introduction Date:</b> 2023-01-09				
Expressing support for the Nation's law enforcement agencies and condemning any efforts to defund or dismantle law enforcement agencies.						
<b>Description</b>		This concurrent resolution offers sincere gratitude and appreciation for the nation's law enforcement officers. It also recognizes the sacrifices of law enforcement officers and rejects efforts to defund and dismantle state and local law enforcement agencies.				
<b>Primary Sponsors</b>		Tom Tiffany				

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status	Position	Priority	FN Outlook
US	HR 27	Referred To The House Committee On The Judiciary 2023 01 09	In House	None	None	5.6% 66.2%

#### Title

Prosecutors Need to Prosecute Act

Introduction Date: 2023-01-09

#### Description

Prosecutors Need to Prosecute Act This bill requires certain state and local prosecutors to report data on criminal referrals and outcomes of cases involving murder or non-negligent manslaughter, forcible rape, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, larceny, motor vehicle theft, arson, or any offense involving the illegal use or possession of a firearm. The reporting requirement applies to state and local prosecutors in a jurisdiction with 380,000 or more persons that receives funding under the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant program. The report must contain data on \* cases referred for prosecution, \* cases declined for prosecution, \* cases resulting in a plea agreement with the defendant, \* cases initiated against defendants with previous arrests or convictions, and \* defendants charged who were released or eligible for bail.

#### Primary Sponsors

Nicole Malliotakis

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status	Position	Priority	FN Outlook
US	HR 44	Referred To The House Committee On The Judiciary 2023 01 09	In House	None	None	8.5% 65.5%

**Title** Introduction Date: 2023-01-09  
 Kalief's Law

**Description**

Effective and Humane Treatment of Youth Act of 2023 or Kalief's Law This bill establishes requirements for the treatment of youth in the criminal justice system at the federal, state, and local levels. A youth is an individual who is 21 years of age or younger. At the federal level, the bill \* requires federal law enforcement officers to record youth custodial interrogations, \* limits the use of solitary confinement for youth at federal facilities, and \* limits the use of restraints on youth during federal court proceedings. At the state and local levels, the bill places conditions on existing grants and establishes a new grant to incentivize the implementation of similar policies with respect to youth. First, the bill reauthorizes the Juvenile Accountability Block Grant program for FY2023-FY2027. To be eligible for grant funds, state and local governments must implement policies that, with respect to youth, provide a right to speedy trial, provide a right to timely bail consideration, and restrict the use of solitary confinement. Second, a state or local government that receives funding under the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant program or the Community Oriented Policing Services program must implement policies and training on police-youth interaction. Third, the bill directs the Department of Justice to award grants to help state and local governments record youth custodial interrogations.

**Primary Sponsors**

Sheila Jackson Lee

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status	Position	Priority	FN Outlook
US	HR 46	Referred To The Committee On Energy And Commerce And In Addition To The Committee On The Judiciary For A Period To Be Subsequently Determined By The Speaker In Each Case For Consideration Of Such Provisions As Fall Within The Jurisdiction Of The Committee Concerned 2023 01 09	In House	None	None	7.4% 72.6%

**Title** Introduction Date: 2023-01-09  
Mental Health Access and Gun Violence Prevention Act of 2023

**Description**

Mental Health Access and Gun Violence Prevention Act of 2023 This bill authorizes FY2024 appropriations for the Department of Justice, the Department of Health and Human Services, and the Social Security Administration to (1) increase access to mental health care treatment and services, and (2) promote reporting of mental health information to the National Instant Criminal Background Check System. (This system is used to query federal, state, local, tribal, and territorial criminal history record information and other records to determine an individual's eligibility to receive, transfer, or possess firearms.)

**Primary Sponsors**

Sheila Jackson Lee

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status	Position	Priority	FN Outlook
US	HR 50	Referred To The House Committee On The Judiciary 2023 01 09	In House	None	None	8.5% 65.6%

**Title** Introduction Date: 2023-01-09  
Terry Technical Correction Act

**Description**

Terry Technical Correction Act This bill broadens the scope of crack cocaine offenders who are eligible for a retroactive sentencing reduction under the First Step Act of 2018. The First Step Act made the Fair Sentencing Act of 2010 retroactive and authorized sentencing reductions for certain crack cocaine offenders convicted and sentenced before the Fair Sentencing Act became effective. Under current law, crack cocaine offenders whose conduct triggered a mandatory minimum sentence are eligible for a retroactive sentencing reduction under the First Step Act. However, in 2021, the Supreme Court held in Terry v. United States that low-level crack cocaine offenders whose conduct did not trigger a mandatory minimum sentence are not eligible for a retroactive sentencing reduction under the First Step Act. This bill extends eligibility for a retroactive sentencing reduction under the First Step Act to all crack cocaine offenders convicted and sentenced before the Fair Sentencing Act became effective, including low-level offenders whose conduct did not trigger a mandatory minimum sentence.

**Primary Sponsors**

Sheila Jackson Lee



State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status	Position	Priority	FN Outlook
US	HR 54	Referred To The House Committee On The Judiciary 2023 01 09	In House	None	None	8.4% 66.1%

**Title** Introduction Date: 2023-01-09  
Federal Prison Bureau Nonviolent Offender Relief Act of 2023

**Description**

Federal Prison Bureau Nonviolent Offender Relief Act of 2023 This bill establishes a new early release option for certain federal prisoners. Specifically, the Bureau of Prisons must release early an offender who has completed at least half of his or her sentence if such offender has attained age 45, has never been convicted of a crime of violence, and has not received any institutional disciplinary violations.

**Primary Sponsors**

Sheila Jackson Lee

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status	Position	Priority	FN Outlook
US	HR 56	Referred To The House Committee On The Judiciary 2023 01 09	In House	None	None	8.6% 66.1%

**Title** Introduction Date: 2023-01-09  
RAISE Act of 2023

**Description**

Reforming Alternatives to Incarceration and Sentencing to Establish a Better Path for Youth Act of 2023 or the RAISE Act of 2023 This bill modifies requirements and procedures related to the sentencing, confinement, and release of youth who are involved in the federal criminal justice system. The term youth means an individual who is prosecuted or sentenced for a criminal offense committed at age 21 or younger. The bill modifies federal sentencing options for youth, including by allowing courts \* to depart from the statutory mandatory minimum for certain nonviolent offenses, \* to reduce the prison term of a youth who has completed 20 years of the sentence, and \* to treat as discretionary a sentence of imprisonment for life. Additionally, it requires the Bureau of Prisons to separately designate youth correctional facilities, minimize contact between youth and other offenders, and establish programs regarding youth education, skills training, reentry, and mental and emotional health. Finally, the bill promotes reentry and reintegration into the community, including by \* providing an early release option for youth offenders who complete one half or more of their prison term and meet certain criteria; \* authorizing home confinement for a longer period of time; \* limiting the maximum prison term for technical violations of probation; \* establishing pilot programs for mentorship, government service, and animal service; and \* establishing pilot programs for diversion of high-risk, victimized, and primary caretaker youth.

**Primary Sponsors**

Sheila Jackson Lee

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status	Position	Priority	FN Outlook
US	HR 62	Referred To The Committee On Energy And Commerce And In Addition To The Committee On The Judiciary For A Period To Be Subsequently Determined By The Speaker In Each Case For Consideration Of Such Provisions As Fall Within The Jurisdiction Of The Committee Concerned 2023 01 09	In House	None	None	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <span style="background-color: #800000; color: white; padding: 2px;">7.4%</span> <span style="background-color: #008000; color: white; padding: 2px;">71.9%</span> </div>

**Title**  
SHIELD Act

**Introduction Date:** 2023-01-09

**Description**

Safeguard Healthcare Industry Employees from Litigation and Distress Act or the SHIELD Act This bill establishes a framework to limit interference with persons seeking to provide or access reproductive health services at the state level. For the purposes of this summary, interference with persons seeking to provide or access reproductive health services includes acts to prevent, restrict, impede, or retaliate against \* a health care provider who provides reproductive health care services, \* any person or entity who helps health care providers to provide such services, \* any person who seeks to access such services, or \* any person or entity who helps another person to access such services. First, the bill reduces the allocation of funds under certain law enforcement grant programs for a state that has in effect a law authorizing state or local officers or employees to interfere with persons seeking to provide or access reproductive health services. Second, the bill prohibits interference with persons seeking to provide or access reproductive health care services \* by state or local officers or employees acting under color of law in any manner that would have a discriminatory effect on a woman, and \* by persons who are not state or local officers or employees and are attempting to implement or enforce a state law in circumstances affecting interstate commerce. The bill authorizes civil remedies for a violation, including damages and injunctive relief. Additionally, it authorizes criminal penalties for a violation involving the use of a deadly or dangerous weapon or the infliction of bodily injury.

**Primary Sponsors**

Sheila Jackson Lee

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status	Position	Priority	FN Outlook
US	HR 238	Referred To The House Committee On The Judiciary 2023 01 10	In House	None	None	8.7% 66.1%

**Title** Introduction Date: 2023-01-10  
Residential Substance Use Disorder Treatment Act of 2023

**Description**

Residential Substance Use Disorder Treatment Act of 2023 This bill revises and reauthorizes through FY2027 grants for residential substance use disorder treatment programs at state and local correctional and detention facilities. Among the revisions, the bill \* replaces statutory references to substance abuse with substance use disorder, \* specifies that the term residential substance use disorder treatment program includes a medication-assisted treatment program, \* requires the chief medical officer or other staff overseeing a program to complete training on the science of addiction and the latest research and clinical guidance on treating substance use disorders in criminal justice settings, and \* allows people who are awaiting trial or in pretrial detention to participate in the programs.

**Primary Sponsors**

Sheila Jackson Lee

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status	Position	Priority	FN Outlook
US	HR 355	Referred To The House Committee On The Judiciary 2023 01 13	In House	None	None	5.7% 71.5%

**Title** Introduction Date: 2023-01-13  
Back the Blue Act of 2023

**Description**

Back the Blue Act of 2023 This bill establishes new criminal offenses for killing, assaulting, and fleeing to avoid prosecution for killing a judge, law enforcement officer, or public safety officer. Additionally, the bill \* expands the list of statutory aggravating factors in death penalty determinations to also include the killing or attempted killing of a law enforcement officer, judge, prosecutor, or firefighter or other first responder; \* broadens the authority of federal law enforcement officers to carry firearms; and \* limits federal court review of challenges to state court convictions for killing a public safety officer or judge. Finally, it directs the Department of Justice to make grants to law enforcement agencies and nongovernmental organizations to promote trust and improve relations between law enforcement agencies and the communities they serve.

**Primary Sponsors**

Don Bacon

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status	Position	Priority	FN Outlook
US	HR 444	Referred To The House Committee On The Judiciary 2023 01 20	In House	None	None	5.1% 62.2%

**Title** Introduction Date: 2023-01-20  
End For-Profit Prisons Act of 2023

**Description**  
End For-Profit Prisons Act of 2023 This bill establishes a framework to phase out existing Bureau of Prisons (BOP) and U.S. Marshals Service contracts with private companies for correctional facilities and community confinement facilities (e.g., halfway houses). The bill requires the Department of Justice to develop guidelines for community reintegration programs at community confinement facilities. In carrying out prerelease and reentry planning procedures, the bill requires the BOP to ensure prisoners receive information and counseling about criminal record expungement; educational, employment, and treatment programs; and applications for public assistance programs, a driver's license, and voter registration. The BOP must also provide prisoners with postrelease information about fines, assessments, surcharges, restitution, and other penalties.

**Primary Sponsors**  
Bonnie Watson Coleman

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status	Position	Priority	FN Outlook
US	HR 898	Referred To The House Committee On The Judiciary 2023 02 09	In House	None	None	6.0% 67.7%

**Title** Introduction Date: 2023-02-09  
Recruit and Retain Act of 2023

**Description**  
Recruit and Retain Act of 2023 This bill allows funds under the Community Oriented Policing Services grant program to be used to recruit and retain law enforcement officers for community-oriented policing.

**Primary Sponsors**  
John Carter

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status	Position	Priority	FN Outlook
US	HR 982	Referred To The Committee On The Judiciary And In Addition To The Committee On The Budget For A Period To Be Subsequently Determined By The Speaker In Each Case For Consideration Of Such Provisions As Fall Within The Jurisdiction Of The Committee Concerned 2023 02 10	In House	None	None	5.7% 72.6%

**Title** Introduction Date: 2023-02-10  
Pregnant Women in Custody Act

**Primary Sponsors**  
Sydney Kamlager-Dove

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status	Position	Priority	FN Outlook
US	HR 1359	Referred To The Subcommittee On Health 2023 03 10	In House	None	None	8.5% 78.5%

**Title** Introduction Date: 2023-03-03  
 Modernizing Opioid Treatment Access Act

**Description**

Modernizing Opioid Treatment Access Act This bill expands access to methadone for an individual's unsupervised use to treat opioid use disorder (OUD). (Typically, methadone must be dispensed to individuals in person through opioid treatment programs.) The bill (1) waives provisions of the Controlled Substances Act that require qualified practitioners to obtain a separate registration from the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) to prescribe and dispense methadone to treat OUD, and (2) requires the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration and the DEA to jointly report on the waiver. Additionally, the bill directs the DEA to register certain practitioners to prescribe methadone that is dispensed through a pharmacy for an individual's unsupervised use. Qualified practitioners must be licensed or authorized to prescribe controlled substances, and they must either work for an opioid treatment program or be a physician or psychiatrist with a specialty certification in addiction medicine. A state may request that the DEA stop registering such practitioners in its jurisdiction. Individuals who receive methadone for unsupervised use must continue to have access to other care through an opioid treatment program. For purposes of the waiver, the bill also requires the exclusive use of electronic prescribing, establishes prescription limits, and sets out requirements for informed consent. Further, the bill permits the use of telehealth to provide methadone treatment and related services if the state and the Department of Health and Human Services jointly determine the use is feasible and appropriate.

**Primary Sponsors**

Donald Norcross

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status	Position	Priority	FN Outlook
US	HR 1490	Referred To The House Committee On The Judiciary 2023 03 09	In House	None	None	5.4% 64.9%

**Title** Introduction Date: 2023-03-09  
 Preventing Violence Against Female Inmates Act of 2023

**Primary Sponsors**

Rick Crawford

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status	Position	Priority	FN Outlook
US	HR 1776	Referred To The House Committee On Foreign Affairs 2023 03 24	In House	None	None	10.4% 75.7%

**Title** Introduction Date: 2023-03-24  
End Tuberculosis Now Act of 2023

**Description**  
End Tuberculosis Now Act of 2023 This bill authorizes actions, including the provision of international assistance, to combat tuberculosis. The President may provide international assistance to prevent, treat, control, and eliminate tuberculosis. The President must also establish goals for U.S. efforts to detect, cure, and prevent all forms of tuberculosis globally by updating the National Action Plan for Combating Multidrug-Resistant Tuberculosis. The Government Accountability Office must periodically report to Congress on the impact of efforts to combat tuberculosis that are supported by U.S. bilateral assistance.

**Primary Sponsors**  
Ami Bera

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status	Position	Priority	FN Outlook
US	HR 2380	Referred To The Subcommittee On Communications And Technology 2023 04 07	In House	None	None	6.3% 63.9%

**Title** Introduction Date: 2023-03-29  
Cellphone Jamming Reform Act of 2023

**Description**  
Cellphone Jamming Reform Act of 2023 This bill allows a state or federal correctional facility to operate a jamming system to interfere with cellphone signals within inmate housing facilities.

**Primary Sponsors**  
David Kustoff

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status	Position	Priority	FN Outlook
US	HR 2400	Referred To The Subcommittee On Health 2023 04 07	In House	Support	High	7.2% 74.1%

**Title** Introduction Date: 2023-03-30  
Reentry Act of 2023

**Description**  
Reentry Act of 2023 This bill allows for Medicaid payment of medical services furnished to an incarcerated individual during the 30-day period preceding the individual's release. The Medicaid and Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) Payment and Access Commission must report on specified information relating to the accessibility and quality of health care for incarcerated individuals, including the impact of the bill's changes.

**Primary Sponsors**  
Paul Tonko

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status	Position	Priority	FN Outlook
US	HR 2669	Referred To The House Committee On The Judiciary 2023 04 18	In House	None	None	7.2% 67.6%

**Title** Introduction Date: 2023-04-18  
Ensuring Work Opportunities in Correctional Facilities Act of 2023

**Primary Sponsors**  
Emanuel Cleaver

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status	Position	Priority	FN Outlook
US	HR 2825	Referred To The House Committee On The Judiciary 2023 04 25	In House	None	None	7.2% 72.0%

**Title** Introduction Date: 2023-04-25  
Prison Libraries Act of 2023

**Primary Sponsors**  
Emanuel Cleaver

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status	Position	Priority	FN Outlook
US	HR 2931	Referred To The House Committee On The Judiciary 2023 04 27	In House	None	None	4.4% 69.1%

**Title** Introduction Date: 2023-04-27  
Smart Sentencing Adjustments Act

**Primary Sponsors**  
Tony Cardenas

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status	Position	Priority	FN Outlook
US	HR 2954	Referred To The Committee On The Judiciary And In Addition To The Committees On Ways And Means And Energy And Commerce For A Period To Be Subsequently Determined By The Speaker In Each Case For Consideration Of Such Provisions As Fall Within The Jurisdiction Of The Committee Concerned 2023 04 27	In House	None	None	9.0% 77.9%

**Title** Introduction Date: 2023-04-27  
Women in Criminal Justice Reform Act

**Primary Sponsors**  
Sydney Kamlager-Dove

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status	Position	Priority	FN Outlook
US	HR 2994	Referred To The Committee On The Judiciary And In Addition To The Committee On Financial Services For A Period To Be Subsequently Determined By The Speaker In Each Case For Consideration Of Such Provisions As Fall Within The Jurisdiction Of The Committee Concerned 2023 04 28	In House	None	None	6.3% 71.4%

**Title** Introduction Date: 2023-04-28  
Returning Home Act

**Primary Sponsors**  
Nanette Barragan

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status	Position	Priority	FN Outlook
US	HR 3019	Referred To The House Committee On Oversight And Accountability 2023 04 28	In House	None	None	11.4% 79.3%

**Title** Introduction Date: 2023-04-28  
Federal Prison Oversight Act

**Primary Sponsors**  
Lucy McBath

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status	Position	Priority	FN Outlook
US	HR 3074	Referred To The House Committee On Energy And Commerce 2023 05 02	In House	None	None	5.8% 74.2%

**Title** Introduction Date: 2023-05-02  
Due Process Continuity of Care Act

**Primary Sponsors**  
David Trone

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status	Position	Priority	FN Outlook
US	HR 3220	Referred To The Committee On Education And The Workforce And In Addition To The Committee On The Judiciary For A Period To Be Subsequently Determined By The Speaker In Each Case For Consideration Of Such Provisions As Fall Within The Jurisdiction Of The Committee Concerned 2023 05 11	In House	None	None	7.9% 71.7%

**Title** Introduction Date: 2023-05-11  
Correctional Facilities Occupational Safety and Health Act of 2023

**Primary Sponsors**  
Emanuel Cleaver



State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status	Position	Priority	FN Outlook
US	HRES 115	Referred To The House Committee On The Judiciary 2023 02 09	In House	None	None	5.4% 68.9%

**Title** Introduction Date: 2023-02-09

Establishing a Women's Bill of Rights to reaffirm legal protections afforded to women under Federal law.

**Description**

This resolution expresses the sense of the House of Representatives that (1) for purposes of federal law, a person's sex means the person's biological sex at birth; and (2) distinctions between the sexes are justified in certain settings, laws, and policies.

**Primary Sponsors**

Debbie Lesko

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status	Position	Priority	FN Outlook
US	HRES 285	Referred To The House Committee On The Judiciary 2023 04 10	In House	None	None	4.4% 72.5%

**Title** Introduction Date: 2023-04-10

Establishing a "Bill of Rights" to support United States law enforcement personnel nationwide in their work to protect our communities.

**Description**

This resolution recognizes law enforcement agencies and officers for their tireless work to protect us and make our communities safer. It also condemns calls to defund, disband, dismantle, or abolish the police.

**Primary Sponsors**

Anthony D'Esposito

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status	Position	Priority	FN Outlook
US	S 508	Read Twice And Referred To The Committee On The Judiciary 2023 02 16	In Senate	None	None	5.2% 71.4%

**Title** Introduction Date: 2023-02-16

Ensuring Work Opportunities in Correctional Facilities Act of 2023

**Primary Sponsors**

Cory Booker

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status	Position	Priority	FN Outlook
US	S 516	Read Twice And Referred To The Committee On Health Education Labor And Pensions 2023 02 16	In Senate	None	None	14.4% 70.6%

**Title** Introduction Date: 2023-02-16

Fair Wages for Incarcerated Workers Act of 2023

**Description**

Fair Wages for Incarcerated Workers Act of 2023 This bill extends the protections under the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, including minimum wage requirements, to incarcerated workers. Incarcerated workers include individuals detained in a correctional facility who perform work offered or required by or through the correctional facility, including work associated with prison work programs, work release programs, federal prison industries (i.e., UNICOR program), state prison industries, public works programs, restitution centers, correctional facility operations and maintenance, and private entities.

**Primary Sponsors**

Cory Booker

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status	Position	Priority	FN Outlook
US	S 517	Read Twice And Referred To The Committee On The Judiciary 2023 02 16	In Senate	None	None	7.2% 66.4%

**Title** Introduction Date: 2023-02-16

Combating Workplace Discrimination in Correctional Facilities Act of 2023

**Primary Sponsors**

Cory Booker

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status	Position	Priority	FN Outlook
US	S 518	Read Twice And Referred To The Committee On The Judiciary 2023 02 16	In Senate	None	None	6.4% 71.5%

**Title** Introduction Date: 2023-02-16  
 Correctional Facilities Occupational Safety and Health Act of 2023

**Description**  
 Correctional Facilities Occupational Safety and Health Act of 2023  
 This bill extends federal workplace safety and health protections to incarcerated workers. These are individuals who (1) are incarcerated or detained in a federal, state, or local correctional facility (or a private facility operating under government contract); and (2) perform work offered or required by the correctional facility, such as prison work programs or work release programs. States and territories that enforce their own workplace safety and health laws and standards under a plan approved by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration must include workplace protections for incarcerated workers in the plan. In addition, the Department of Labor must establish a grant program to assist states with amending their occupational safety and health laws to cover incarcerated workers and with enforcing those laws. Furthermore, the Bureau of Prisons must ensure that its workplace safety and health program applies to incarcerated workers in the same manner as it applies to employees of the bureau. Additionally, states and localities that participate in the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program must have workplace safety and health protections for incarcerated workers that are appropriately monitored and enforced. The bill reserves a portion of the grants for recipients to use to set up workplace safety and health protections for incarcerated workers. The bill also requires periodic reports to Congress and the Department of Justice about the workplace and safety conditions at correctional facilities, including any potential noncompliance with relevant standards.

**Primary Sponsors**  
 Cory Booker

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status	Position	Priority	FN Outlook
US	S 546	Placed On Senate Legislative Calendar Under General Orders Calendar No 86 2023 06 08	In Senate	None	None	29.3% 78.9%

**Title** Introduction Date: 2023-02-28  
 Recruit and Retain Act

**Primary Sponsors**  
 Deb Fischer

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status	Position	Priority	FN Outlook
US	S 644	Read Twice And Referred To The Committee On Health Education Labor And Pensions 2023 03 02	In Senate	None	None	15.5% 77.9%

**Title** Introduction Date: 2023-03-02

Modernizing Opioid Treatment Access Act

**Description**

Modernizing Opioid Treatment Access Act This bill expands access to methadone for an individual's unsupervised use to treat opioid use disorder (OUD). (Typically, methadone must be dispensed to individuals in person through opioid treatment programs.) The bill (1) waives provisions of the Controlled Substances Act that require qualified practitioners to obtain a separate registration from the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) to prescribe and dispense methadone to treat OUD, and (2) requires the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration and the DEA to jointly report on the waiver. Additionally, the bill directs the DEA to register certain practitioners to prescribe methadone that is dispensed through a pharmacy for an individual's unsupervised use. Qualified practitioners must be licensed or authorized to prescribe controlled substances, and they must either work for an opioid treatment program or be a physician or psychiatrist with a specialty certification in addiction medicine. A state may request that the DEA stop registering such practitioners in its jurisdiction. Individuals who receive methadone for unsupervised use must continue to have access to other care through an opioid treatment program. For purposes of the waiver, the bill also requires the exclusive use of electronic prescribing, establishes prescription limits, and sets out requirements for informed consent. Further, the bill permits the use of telehealth to provide methadone treatment and related services if the state and the Department of Health and Human Services jointly determine the use is feasible and appropriate.

**Primary Sponsors**

Ed Markey

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status	Position	Priority	FN Outlook
US	S 713	Read Twice And Referred To The Committee On The Judiciary 2023 03 08	In Senate	None	None	15.9% 68.5%

**Title** Introduction Date: 2023-03-08

No Early Release for Carjackers Act of 2023

**Primary Sponsors**

Tom Cotton

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status	Position	Priority	FN Outlook
US	S 971	Read Twice And Referred To The Committee On Finance 2023 03 23	In Senate	None	None	9.1% 78.9%

**Title** Introduction Date: 2023-03-23  
Due Process Continuity of Care Act

**Description**  
Due Process Continuity of Care Act This bill allows an otherwise eligible individual who is in custody pending disposition of charges (i.e., pretrial detainees) to receive Medicaid benefits at the option of the state. The bill also provides for state planning grants to support the provision of such benefits.

**Primary Sponsors**  
Bill Cassidy

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status	Position	Priority	FN Outlook
US	S 1047	Read Twice And Referred To The Committee On Commerce Science And Transportation 2023 03 29	In Senate	None	None	16.2% 70.8%

**Title** Introduction Date: 2023-03-29  
Cellphone Jamming Reform Act of 2023

**Description**  
Cellphone Jamming Reform Act of 2023 This bill allows a state or federal correctional facility to operate a jamming system to interfere with cellphone signals within inmate housing facilities.

**Primary Sponsors**  
Tom Cotton

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status	Position	Priority	FN Outlook
US	S 1165	Read Twice And Referred To The Committee On Finance 2023 04 17	In Senate	None	None	2.4% 78.9%

**Title** Introduction Date: 2023-04-17  
Reentry Act of 2023

**Description**  
Reentry Act of 2023 This bill allows for Medicaid payment of medical services furnished to an incarcerated individual during the 30-day period preceding the individual's release. The Medicaid and Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) Payment and Access Commission must report on specified information relating to the accessibility and quality of health care for incarcerated individuals, including the impact of the bill's changes.

**Primary Sponsors**  
Tammy Baldwin

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status	Position	Priority	FN Outlook
US	S 1248	Read Twice And Referred To The Committee On The Judiciary Text Cr S 1296 1297 2023 04 20	In Senate	None	None	5.3% 74.0%

**Title** Introduction Date: 2023-04-20  
Safer Detention Act of 2023

**Primary Sponsors**  
Dick Durbin

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status	Position	Priority	FN Outlook
US	S 1342	Read Twice And Referred To The Committee On The Judiciary 2023 04 27	In Senate	None	None	8.9% 70.5%

**Title** Introduction Date: 2023-04-27  
Smart Sentencing Adjustments Act

**Primary Sponsors**  
Cory Booker

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status	Position	Priority	FN Outlook
US	S 1401	Read Twice And Referred To The Committee On The Judiciary 2023 05 02	In Senate	None	None	10.1% 79.3%

**Title** Introduction Date: 2023-05-02  
Federal Prison Oversight Act

**Primary Sponsors**  
Jon Ossoff