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Executive Summary

The Legislation Committee represents the Judicial Council's position with other agencies and entities, such as the Legislature, the Governor's Office, the State Bar of California, local government, local bar associations, and other court-related professional associations. The committee determines positions consistent with the council's policy goals and oversees advocacy for those positions. This report summarizes the committee's activities since the September 25 Judicial Council meeting.

Overview of Committee Meetings

With the close of the 2019–20 legislative session, the meeting schedule for the Legislation Committee has relaxed and the committee has met once by telephone.

On October 8, 2020, the Legislation Committee approved for submission *the Legislative Policy Summary* through the 2020 legislative year. The *Legislative Policy Summary* is on today's agenda in addition to the legislative proposals that were reported on at the last council meeting

This legislative year, the Governor signed three Judicial Council-sponsored measures:

• AB 2165 (Rivas, Robert) – Electronic filing and service documents (Stats. 2020, ch. 215);

- AB 2617 (Gabriel) Firearms: gun violence restraining orders (Stats. 2020, ch. 286); and,
- AB 3364 (Committee on Judiciary) Judiciary omnibus, Section 35-42 (Stats. 2020, ch. 36)

Three of our other council-sponsored bills failed in the Legislature. They are as follows:

- AB 2545 (Quirk) Courts: electronic documents;
- SB 16 (Roth) Courts: judgeships; and,
- SB 897 (Jackson) Temporary emergency gun violence restraining orders.

As the Legislative session gets underway, the Legislation Committee will begin its rigorous meeting schedule.

For further information on any of the bills the Legislation Committee has taken a position on, Governmental Affairs maintains a Status Chart showing the status and can be found at: <u>www.courts.ca.gov/4121.htm#legcharts</u>.