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The Honorable Andrea Stewart-Cousins
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Dear Senator Stewart-Cousins:

I am pleased to transmit the Annual Report of the Senate's Standing Committee on Codes for the 2025 Legislative Session. As Chair, I am proud to continue to lead our efforts to address important matters under my committee's jurisdiction.

During the 2025 Session, this Committee met seven times in Session and reported 79 bills. The Committee did not hold public hearings this past year.

I thank my colleagues who served on the Committee for their efforts and support of the work that was done in the Committee this year, and I thank you for the continued support from the Majority Conference in the Committee's operations.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Zellnor Y. Myrie".

Senator Zellnor Y. Myrie
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2025 LEGISLATIVE SESSION REPORT

NEW YORK STATE SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON CODES

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COMMITTEE JURISDICTION AND OVERVIEW

The New York State Senate Standing Committee on Codes has legislative oversight responsibilities for issues concerning the Penal Law, the Criminal Procedure Law, the Civil Rights Law, and certain parts of the Executive Law.

During the 2025 Legislative Session, over 600 bills were referred to the Committee for its review. Of these bills, seventy-nine were reported from the Committee. Sixty-five were passed by the Senate, and eight passed in both houses. This work was conducted through a series of seven committee meetings. A list of all bills that were reported from the Committee is provided at the end of this report.

The Committee did not hold any specific public hearings or roundtable meetings during this Session.

COMMITTEE HIGHLIGHTS

The following key bills were acted on by the Committee in 2025:

- **S.1652** (Bailey) – Signed chapter 465 of 2025. This bill authorizes a court to direct filing of non-family offense order of protection with the computerized registry for such orders and warrants.
- **S.1744A** (Hoylman-Sigal) – Signed chapter 675 of the laws of 2025. This bill imposes certain requirements on institutions housing a defendant due to mental disease or defect prior to the discharge of such defendant.
- **S.1985A** (Harckham) – Signed chapter 466 of the laws of 2025. This bill requires police officers to take temporary custody of firearms when responding to reports of family violence.
- **S.2295** (Bailey) – Signed chapter 632 of 2025. This bill requires training regarding sexual assault for police officers and child protective services workers.
- **S.2551** (Myrie) – Signed chapter 467 of 2025. This bill increases the fines imposed on a corporation for an offense defined within the penal law.
- **S.3967B** (Sepúlveda) – Signed chapter 686 of 2025. This bill relates to individuals engaged in prostitution who are victims of or witnesses to a crime.
- **S.4767** (Bailey) – Signed chapter 423 of 2025. This bill relates to training police officers on how to respond to situations involving individuals with autism spectrum disorder and other developmental disabilities.
- **S.8196** (Hoylman-Sigal) – Signed chapter 565 of the laws of 2025. This bill relates to judges presiding over designated youth parts.

TWO HOUSE BILLS

BILL	SPONSOR	SUMMARY	SIGNIFICANT ACT
S.01652	BAILEY	Authorizes a court issuing a non-family offense temporary order of protection or an order of protection to direct that such order be filed with the computerized registry for orders of protection and warrants, if it is necessary to fulfill the purposes of such order; directs the superintendent of state police to include such orders on computerized registry.	Chaptered 465
S.01985A	HARCKHAM	Requires police officers to take temporary custody of firearms for not less than one hundred twenty hours when responding to reports of family violence.	Chaptered 466
S.02295	BAILEY	Requires police officers to receive training instruction for crimes involving sexual assaults; requires training for child protective services workers in certain instances.	Chaptered 632
S.02551	MYRIE	Increases the fines imposed on a corporation for an offense defined within the penal law. Criminal Sanction Impact.	Chaptered 467
S.03967B	SEPÚLVEDA	Provides immunity from prosecution for certain individuals engaged in prostitution who are victims of or witnesses to a crime and who report such crime or assist in the investigation or prosecution.	Chaptered 686
S.04767	BAILEY	Relates to training police officers on how to respond to situations involving individuals with autism spectrum disorder and other developmental disabilities.	Chaptered 423

SUMMARY OF COMMITTEE ACTIVITY

BILL	SPONSOR	SUMMARY	SIGNIFICANT ACT
S.00054A	FERNANDEZ	Prohibits the use of intoxication of the victim as a defense in sex crimes where the victim is under the extreme influence of any substance which renders them incapable of appraising or controlling such victim's conduct and incapable of clearly expressing lack of consent.	Passed the Senate
S.00083	LIU	Relates to establishing the crime of larceny by cyber extortion which occurs when a person intends to obtain property from another person or entity located in the state of New York through the use of certain malicious software.	Passed the Senate
S.00116	CLEARE	Extends the statute of limitations of actions related to certain sex trafficking offenses, reviving such actions otherwise barred by the existing statute of limitations; grants trial preference to such actions; exempts such actions from certain provisions requiring notice of claims.	Passed the Senate
S.00143	PALUMBO	Establishes a coordinated law enforcement adult rescue "teal alert" for missing adults; provides that local law enforcement agencies notify the division of criminal justice services about missing adults; provides that such division shall issue an alert about such missing adult.	Enacting Clause Stricken
S.00205	MARTINEZ	Establishes that when an actor threatens to disseminate or publish a still or video image depicting such other person with one or more intimate parts exposed or engaging in sexual conduct with another person, including a still or video image created or altered by digitization, where such person may reasonably be identified from the still or video image itself or from information displayed in connection with the still or video image within the provisions of unlawful dissemination or publication of an intimate image.	Passed the Senate

BILL	SPONSOR	SUMMARY	SIGNIFICANT ACT
S.00236	CANZONERI-FITZPATRICK	Requires the court to make an individualized determination whether a defendant poses a current physical threat to any person or to public safety when making a bail determination.	Senate Codes
S.00259	MARTINEZ	Establishes the crimes of criminal trespass on a school bus, school grounds or children's camp; requires the commissioner of motor vehicles, in consultation with the commissioner of transportation, to promulgate rules and regulations for certain signage on school buses; relates to professional development school bus driver safety training seminars statewide. Criminal Sanction Impact.	Senate Rules
S.00307	RHOADS	Authorizes the imposition of bail for certain felony offenses involving the manufacture, sale, distribution, or possession with intent to sell synthetic opioids.	Senate Codes
S.00329A	BAILEY	Relates to facilitating appellate review of rulings that implicate issues of public concern.	On Calendar 598 Opposite House
S.00362	GIANARIS	Establishes a 10 day waiting period for the purchase of any firearm; establishes violations of such provisions shall constitute a class A misdemeanor. Criminal Sanction Impact.	Passed the Senate
S.00399A	MYRIE	Makes it illegal for certain persons to possess or sell a pistol converter or a converted pistol. Criminal Sanction Impact.	Senate Rules
S.00464	HOYLMAN-SIGAL	Establishes an assumption of the inadmissibility of evidence of a defendant's creative or artistic expression against such defendant in a criminal proceeding; requires the proffering party to affirmatively prove that the evidence is admissible by clear and convincing evidence.	On Calendar 24 Opposite House
S.00490	FERNANDEZ	Includes instances of sexual conduct against a child less than seventeen years of age to certain sex offenses; removes the time limit to bring subsequent sexual offenses. Criminal Sanction Impact.	Passed the Senate

BILL	SPONSOR	SUMMARY	SIGNIFICANT ACT
S.00524	MAYER	Establishes the crime of voyeurism in the first and second degree which is defined as when someone for their own amusement, entertainment, profit, sexual arousal or sexual gratification trespasses for the purpose of viewing a person dressing or undressing or the sexual or other intimate parts of such person at a place and time when such person has a reasonable expectation of privacy, without such person's knowledge or consent. Criminal Sanction Impact.	Passed the Senate
S.00611A	STAVISKY	Provides for victim statements at the sentencing of a defendant for certain misdemeanors.	Passed the Senate
S.00626	STAVISKY	Relates to adding ammunition to the list of prohibited items to purchase or dispose of after certain convictions. Criminal Sanction Impact.	Passed the Senate
S.00628	STAVISKY	Relates to adding transmission of unwanted lewd or intimate images to the definition of aggravated harassment in the second degree.	Senate Rules
S.00630	STAVISKY	Requires the district attorney to notify victims by letter of the final disposition of the case within sixty days of such disposition in cases where such final disposition includes a conviction; provides such letter shall also notify victims of their right to make a victim impact statement; allows them to personally appear at parole hearings and make such a statement.	Passed the Senate
S.00660	GIANARIS	Relates to detaining persons for longer than twenty-four hours.	Passed the Senate
S.00866	BAILEY	Relates to re-defining the term physically helpless to mean an individual who is physically unable to communicate affirmative consent through words or clear actions that offer permission and a willingness to engage in sexual activity.	Passed the Senate

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S.01041	PALUMBO	Amends provisions involving the arrest, prosecution, sentencing and penalties for offenses involving vehicular assault, manslaughter and homicide; removes certain barriers to prosecution for operating a vehicle under the influence of drugs or alcohol. Criminal Sanction Impact.	Senate Codes
S.01055	SERRANO	Prohibits the division of criminal justice services from disclosing pending orders of adjournment in contemplation of dismissal on civil records of arrests and prosecutions.	Passed the Senate
S.01192	ADDABBO	Establishes an alternative resolution program for service members and veterans accused of certain felonies.	Passed the Senate
S.01285A	PERSAUD	Allows for written instructions regarding elements to be supplied to a jury.	Passed the Senate
S.01289	MYRIE	Establishes the office of gun violence prevention and the gun violence advisory council.	Senate Rules
S.01455A	KAVANAGH	Enacts the “safer weapons, safer homes act”; requires the division of criminal justice services to study the technological viability of personalized firearms; defines personalized firearms; requires the division to report to the governor and the legislature on the results of the study.	Passed the Senate
S.01472	RYAN S	Relates to certifying instructors in small arms practice; provides that after December 31, 2028 individuals certified as an instructor in small arms practice shall seek recertification subject to the standards and curriculum promulgated by the division of criminal justice services.	Passed the Senate
S.01641	FERNANDEZ	Relates to permitting support to a vulnerable elderly person testifying in grand jury proceedings; allows a social worker or informal caregiver to accompany a vulnerable elderly person testifying in a grand jury proceeding, concerning any type of offense, provided that the district attorney consents.	Passed the Senate

BILL	SPONSOR	SUMMARY	SIGNIFICANT ACT
S.01648	OBERACKER	Authorizes bail for principals charged with aggravated cruelty to animals. Criminal Sanction Impact.	Enacting Clause Stricken
S.01652	BAILEY	Authorizes a court issuing a non-family offense temporary order of protection or an order of protection to direct that such order be filed with the computerized registry for orders of protection and warrants, if it is necessary to fulfill the purposes of such order; directs the superintendent of state police to include such orders on computerized registry.	Chaptered 465
S.01664	HARCKHAM	Provides access to live scan fingerprinting to society for the prevention of cruelty to animals officers.	Passed the Senate
S.01694A	SKOUFIS	Prohibits recording of the entrance or exit of a school ground or the entrance or exit to a property that contains school grounds within its boundaries.	Passed the Senate
S.01748	OBERACKER	Authorizes bail and pre-trial detention for all arson felonies. Criminal Sanction Impact.	Enacting Clause Stricken
S.01819A	FERNANDEZ	Provides that the results of urine tests conducted pursuant to a judicial diversion program shall be private and confidential.	Passed the Senate
S.01946	RIVERA	Relates to the expungement of syringe convictions of criminally possessing a hypodermic instrument.	Passed the Senate
S.01985A	HARCKHAM	Requires police officers to take temporary custody of firearms for not less than one hundred twenty hours when responding to reports of family violence.	Chaptered 466
S.02273	KRUEGER	Includes contacts via text, email, private message, direct message or other electronic communication in the definition of the offense of aggravated harassment in the second degree. Criminal Sanction Impact.	Passed the Senate

BILL	SPONSOR	SUMMARY	SIGNIFICANT ACT
S.02282A	HELMING	Enacts the “pretrial risk overview for threat evaluation, custody, and treatment (PROTECT) Act” to evaluate certain defendants; establishes a risk assessment instrument to aid judges in determining whether to release or detain a principal, where and when a release is appropriate and necessary conditions that should be imposed as part of such release; repeals provisions of law relating to qualifying offenses and allows a court to set bail or remand a principal where based on the risk assessment instrument, where the principal poses a safety risk or risk of flight; makes related provisions. Criminal Sanction Impact.	Senate Codes
S.02295	BAILEY	Requires police officers to receive training instruction for crimes involving sexual assaults; requires training for child protective services workers in certain instances.	Chaptered 632
S.02398	PERSAUD	Requires genetic testing results only be received by patients and health care providers providing direct care while health insurance companies only receive a record that the genetic testing was performed; provides insurers cannot require access to genetic testing results and cannot take adverse action against someone for not providing genetic testing results.	Passed the Senate
S.02444	FERNANDEZ	Makes certain terms gender neutral in provisions regarding the right to breast feed.	Passed the Senate
S.02453	GIANARIS	Provides that the period of immunity from prosecution for a criminal or civil action that a defendant is entitled to by virtue of holding the office of president of the United States shall not apply to the calculation of the time limitation applicable to commencement of such actions.	Passed the Senate
S.02491	GOUNARDES	Prohibits peremptory challenges of prospective jurors based on race, color, national origin, ancestry, gender, gender identity or expression, religion, religious practice, age, disability, or sexual orientation.	Passed the Senate

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S.02494	GOUNARDES	Provides that certain allegations made by employees involving employment discrimination shall be protected and matters of public interest in actions involving public petition and participation.	Passed the Senate
S.02551	MYRIE	Increases the fines imposed on a corporation for an offense defined within the penal law. Criminal Sanction Impact.	Chaptered 467
S.03158	SKOUFIS	Includes animal fighting as a criminal act for purposes of enterprise corruption crimes.	Passed the Senate
S.03204	KRUEGER	Creates the offense of defrauding the government in the first degree; expands the definition of conspiracy in the fourth degree; relates to expanding the definition of tax fraud acts. Criminal Sanction Impact.	Passed the Senate
S.03385A	HOYLMAN-SIGAL	Enacts "Francesco's law" which establishes violations for the failure to safely store rifles, shotguns, and firearms in the presence of a minor or a prohibited person; requires the office of gun violence prevention to collect and analyze statistical and other information and data with respect to injuries or deaths of minors resulting from failure to safely store a firearm, rifle, or shotgun. Criminal Sanction Impact.	Senate Rules
S.03511	BORRELLO	Increases the maximum sentence of imprisonment for certain misdemeanors to one year. Criminal Sanction Impact.	Senate Codes
S.03519	SCARCELLA-SPANTON	Redefines the term "following" for a crime of stalking in the fourth degree to include the use of certain devices or computers to gain access to, record, track or report the movement or location of a person or their property without the person's permission or authority to do so.	Passed the Senate

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S.03693	SANDERS	Relates to computer-related crimes; creates the crimes unlawful disruption of computer services in the first and second degree, unlawful computer access assistance in the first and second degree, unauthorized use of internet domain name or profile, and unlawful introduction of a computer contaminant; allows for a civil action for compensatory damages for victims of such crimes. Criminal Sanction Impact.	Passed the Senate
S.03831	HOYLMAN-SIGAL	Relates to removing the ten year time period from the crime of persistent sexual abuse. Criminal Sanction Impact.	Passed the Senate
S.03909	PARKER	Enacts the "New York State Phoenix Act"; extends the statute of limitations for felony family offenses to ten years and misdemeanor family offenses to five years.	Passed the Senate
S.03967B	SEPÚLVEDA	Provides immunity from prosecution for certain individuals engaged in prostitution who are victims of or witnesses to a crime and who report such crime or assist in the investigation or prosecution.	Chaptered 686
S.04188A	COMRIE	Establishes the crime of misappropriation of payroll funds when a person knows that funds are designated for use as employee payroll funds or as payment of payroll taxes, and intentionally prevents the funds from being used for their designated purpose. Criminal Sanction Impact.	Passed the Senate
S.04277	KAVANAGH	Relates to prohibiting the possession of certain 50 caliber firearms; directs the division of state police to embark on a program whereby persons currently in lawful possession of such weapons may be reimbursed for the fair market value thereof upon turning in such weapons to a designated officer. Criminal Sanction Impact.	Senate Rules
S.04322	SCARCELLA-SPANTON	Relates to creating a private right of action for unconsented removal or tampering with a sexually protective device.	Passed the Senate

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S.04389	MAY	Ensures that color vision requirements for appointment of police officers are tailored to only eliminate individuals with extreme color vision deficiencies from eligibility; provides methods under which an individual can meet such requirements after failing to meet an initial color vision standard.	Passed the Senate
S.04406	MAY	Authorizes the use of closed-circuit television for vulnerable sexual assault witnesses; establishes a procedure for determining who qualifies as a vulnerable sexual assault witness.	Senate Rules
S.04466	MAYER	Prohibits a property owner from enforcing or adopting a restriction that prohibits one or more religious items from being displayed or affixed on any entry door or entry doorframe of a dwelling.	Passed the Senate
S.04521	BAILEY	Enacts the "criminal forfeiture process act" to replace the process for the criminal forfeiture of certain property in certain instances.	Reported to Senate Finance
S.04545A	HOYLMAN-SIGAL	Repeals provisions relating to persons knowing themselves to be infected with venereal disease.	On Calendar 770 Opposite House
S.04757	BAILEY	Establishes an "operation SNUG" program within the division of criminal justice services which provides grant awards to reduce, prevent or respond to gun violence.	Passed the Senate
S.04763	BAILEY	Relates to the issuance of arrest warrants upon a youth; provides for the police officer to make a reasonable effort to notify the parent or other person legally responsible for the care of such youth or with whom the youth is domiciled that the youth has been arrested; provides that the police officer need not notify the parent or other person legally responsible when such youth is not also a juvenile offender and the notification would endanger the health and safety of such youth; amends provisions relating to sexually exploited children to include persons under the age of nineteen.	Passed the Senate

BILL	SPONSOR	SUMMARY	SIGNIFICANT ACT
S.04767	BAILEY	Relates to training police officers on how to respond to situations involving individuals with autism spectrum disorder and other developmental disabilities.	Chaptered 423
S.04774A	RYAN C	Creates the crime of vehicular homicide; makes such crime a class B felony. Criminal Sanction Impact.	Passed the Senate
S.05041	SEPÚLVEDA	Adds to the definition of a victim of a sexual offense by including a victim of unlawful dissemination or publication of an intimate image.	Passed the Senate
S.05138	GIANARIS	Abolishes citizens arrests in New York state.	Passed the Senate
S.06026	PARKER	Establishes a voluntary registry of individuals with autism, Alzheimer's or dementia who may be at risk of wandering away from home; creates a standardized form available that may be submitted to local law enforcement agencies by family members and caregivers of such individuals that would include identifying information and may include a photograph of the registrant.	Reported to Senate Disabilities
S.06121	MAYER	Requires the preparation and dissemination of written materials regarding child access prevention and the safe storage of firearms; establishes such information shall be provided to students and/or persons in a parental relationship to such students at the beginning of each semester or quarter of the regular school year beginning on and after July 1, 2026.	Passed the Senate
S.06593	JACKSON	Requires the division of criminal justice services to report to the federal bureau of investigation's national use-of-force data collection program.	Reported to Senate Finance
S.07202A	HINCHEY	Establishes the crimes of unlawful dissemination or publication of intimate images in the first, second, and third degree; defines terms and clarifies application of provisions relating to such crimes; extends the statute of limitations for such crimes; repeals provisions relating thereto. Criminal Sanction Impact.	Passed the Senate

BILL	SPONSOR	SUMMARY	SIGNIFICANT ACT
S.07236	GIANARIS	Prohibits the purchase of ammunition if such purchaser failed a background check, is prohibited by federal law or is subject to a temporary or extreme risk protection order issued pursuant to article sixty-three-A of the civil practice law and rules.	Senate Rules
S.07469	HOYLMAN-SIGAL	Criminalizes the harassment of a child when the perpetrator intentionally or knowingly harasses, annoys or alarms a child or a child's parent or guardian; establishes a private right of action for harassment of a child. Criminal Sanction Impact.	Passed the Senate

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