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REPORT TO THE JUDICIAL COUNCIL

Item No.: 25-080

For business meeting on April 25, 2025

Title

Criminal Law: Judicial Council Appointment to the California Council for Interstate Adult Offender Supervision

Report Type

Action Required

Effective Date

July 9, 2025

Rules, Forms, Standards, or Statutes Affected

None

Date of Report

March 26, 2025

Recommended by

Executive and Planning Committee
Hon. Brad R. Hill, Chair

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Executive Summary

The Executive and Planning Committee recommends reappointing Judge R. Glenn Yabuno, Superior Court of San Bernardino County, to the California Council for Interstate Adult Offender Supervision. The seven-member California Council is required by the Interstate Compact for Adult Offender Supervision, which governs state administration of the transfer across state lines of the supervision of adult parolees and probationers, to include a superior court judge appointed by the Judicial Council. The individual selected for appointment will also serve simultaneously on the California State Council for Interstate Juvenile Supervision.

Recommendation

The Judicial Council's Executive and Planning Committee recommends that the Judicial Council, effective July 9, 2025, reappoint Judge R. Glenn Yabuno, Superior Court of San Bernardino County, to the California Council for Interstate Adult Offender Supervision, as provided in Penal Code section 11181(c).

Relevant Previous Council Action

In 2021, Judge Yabuno was appointed to a four-year term on the California Council for Interstate Adult Offender Supervision.

Analysis/Rationale

The California Council for Interstate Adult Offender Supervision was created by Senate Bill 2023 (Stats. 2000, ch. 658). The Judicial Council is required to appoint one superior court judge to serve on the council. (Pen. Code, § 11181(c).) (See Link A.)

Judge Yabuno's judicial experience in juvenile justice court along with his extensive criminal justice experience makes him an excellent fit for this position. Judge Yabuno was appointed to the Superior Court of San Bernardino County in 2010 and recently served as the presiding judge. His previous judicial assignments include criminal, civil, family law, juvenile, guardianship, and traffic cases, and he served as supervising criminal judge in several courthouses. Prior to his appointment, Judge Yabuno was a deputy district attorney, where his duties included leading a special prosecution group responsible for criminal and civil prosecution of environmental consumer protection and Cal/OSHA cases. He was also an adjunct professor at San Bernardino Valley College, teaching paralegal classes, and an instructor for the California District Attorneys Association.

Policy implications

The California Council meets quarterly in Sacramento. Its primary responsibility is to "exercise oversight and advocacy concerning its participation" in national efforts pertaining to interstate adult offender supervision and to develop "policy concerning operations and procedures of the [interstate] compact within the state." (Pen. Code, § 11181(b).) It consists of seven members and must include (1) the Director of Corrections or his or her designee, (2) three members appointed by the Governor, (3) one member appointed by the Senate Committee on Rules, (4) one member appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly, and (5) one superior court judge appointed by the Judicial Council. (Pen. Code, § 11181(c).) The primary role of the judicial member is to act as an informational and educational liaison to the judicial branch. The judicial member also helps the California Council develop administrative and procedural policy regarding California's implementation of the interstate compact. With the exception of the Director of Corrections or his or her designee, who also serves as California's representative to a national commission on this topic, each member of the California Council is to serve a term of four years. (Pen. Code, § 11181(c)–(d).) Council members are not compensated except for reasonable per diem expenses. (Pen. Code, § 11181(d).)

Comments

Public comments were not solicited for this proposal because the recommendation is within the Judicial Council's purview to approve without circulation.

Alternatives considered

Because the appointment is required by statute, the option of not appointing a judge was not considered.

Fiscal and Operational Impacts

There are no fiscal or operational impacts associated with this appointment.

Attachments and Links

1. Link A: Pen. Code, § 11181,
https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/codes_displaySection.xhtml?sectionNum=11181&lawCode=PEN