

Date of Hearing: August 20, 2025

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS
Buffy Wicks, Chair
SB 857 (Committee on Public Safety) – As Amended June 26, 2025

Policy Committee: Public Safety

Vote: 9 - 0

Urgency: No

State Mandated Local Program: No

Reimbursable: No

SUMMARY:

This is the annual Public Safety Omnibus bill, which makes technical and non-controversial changes to various code sections relating to criminal law.

Specifically, among other provisions, this bill:

- 1) Renames the Prison Industry Authority (PIA) as the California Correctional Training and Rehabilitation Authority, the Prison Industry Board as the California Correctional Training and Rehabilitation Board, and the Prison Industries Revolving Fund as the California Correctional Training and Rehabilitation Fund.
- 2) Provides that eight members of the Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC) constitutes a quorum. Recent legislation increased BSCC from 13 to 15 members but did not adjust the number of members needed to establish a quorum.
- 3) Authorizes a juvenile court to permit a ward discharged to probation after being confined in a secure youth treatment facility (SYTF), or after being transferred to a less restrictive program from a SYTF, to reside in a county other than their county of legal residence and be placed under the supervision of the probation officer of the county of actual residence.

FISCAL EFFECT:

No significant state costs. The California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation reports minor and absorbable costs associated with the name changes for the PIA entities.

COMMENTS:

Each year, the Senate Committee on Public Safety carries a bill to make minor and technical changes to the Penal Code and other codes affecting the criminal justice system. According to that committee, this bill is consistent with prior omnibus bills in that it makes only technical or minor substantive changes to the law, and there is no opposition to the bill by any member of the Legislature or recognized group.

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