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The Honorable William Smith Chair, Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee

The Honorable Luke Clippinger Chair, House Judiciary Committee

Dear Chair Smith and Chair Clippinger:

Attached is the final report of the Task Force to Study Transparency Standards for State's Attorneys.

The task force has worked diligently this interim to carry out the charge contained in Chapter 141 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2022. During the course of our first three public meetings, we heard testimony from approximately 13 witnesses, including elected and career State's Attorneys, other State government officials, policy advocates, academics, and private sector representatives. In addition, our November 28, 2023, meeting was exclusively devoted to discussion. The members of the task force also studied written materials and conducted independent research and dialogue about the issues facing the task force. Each member of the task force took the member's duty very seriously and was highly engaged in the process.

As a result, the workgroup has arrived at a strong list of five consensus recommendations, which are set forth on pages three through four of this report. Please note that Recommendation 5 proposes the introduction of a bill to (1) extend the life and expand the membership of the task force and (2) create a fund to provide grants to counties to defray case management system costs. We are proud of this work product and believe that the recommendations are reasonable and pragmatic and will serve as a sound foundation to build upon. While some may have preferred the recommendations to be more far-reaching, we deemed it important to arrive at a result that both

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reflects fiscal realities and engenders support from all stakeholders. We believe that these recommendations strike that careful balance, and hope that you are as pleased as we are with them.

It has been a privilege and pleasure to serve as chairs of the workgroup, and we are grateful to the Presiding Officers for giving us this opportunity to guide the work of this important body. We look forward to working on our proposed legislation during the upcoming legislative session and continuing to participate in Maryland's efforts to bring about increased transparency to the activities of our State's Attorneys.

Very truly yours,

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Task Force to Study Transparency Standards for State's Attorneys Report

Introduction

Prosecutors play an important and powerful role in the criminal justice system. They decide whether to request that a person remain in jail pending trial, whether to engage in plea bargaining, and what sentence to seek upon conviction. In addition, they are sometimes involved in deciding who to charge with a crime and what crime to charge. However, in Maryland, members of the public often have varying levels of access to both information about how their local prosecutors exercise discretion and in how easily the available data can be interpreted. Examples from other states and communities show possible models for achieving greater uniformity in how prosecutors input data and track cases and also in how they educate the public on basic outcomes from their offices.

In recent years, efforts have been undertaken nationwide to encourage or require prosecutors to collect and report information about their decisions at key points in their cases, to achieve justice and fairness for everyone in the community. Collecting and analyzing more data – whether or not it is published – can also assist prosecutors in allocating limited resources and more efficiently and accurately handling law enforcement office functions such as compiling annual reports, submitting budget requests, measuring staff performance and workloads, and tracking court appearances and filing deadlines. For numerous reasons, providing the community a window into this aggregated data can help inform critical discussions around resource allocation, equity and disparities, seriousness and proportionality of penalties, timeliness of case processing, delivery of victim services, and more.

The Task Force to Study Transparency Standards for State's Attorneys was created by Chapter 141 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2022 to study the possibility of establishing minimum transparency standards for State's Attorneys in Maryland. Chapter 141 required the task force, in conducting its study, to: (1) develop processes by which prosecutors can collect information and determine what information should be made public and what information may be kept private, and (2) examine any existing policies of State's Attorneys' offices across the State relating to the transparency of data, the charging of crimes, and sentencing.

The presiding officers designated Senator Charles E. Sydnor, III and Delegate David Moon as co-chairs of the task force.

Meetings

The task force met and worked diligently during the 2023 interim. Four public meetings were held at which approximately 13 witnesses provided testimony. Thoughtful and robust

discourse among the members and witnesses took place during each meeting, resulting in the consensus recommendations contained in this report.

All meeting recordings and materials can be found on the Maryland General Assembly website (https://mgaleg.maryland.gov/mgawebsite/Committees/Details?cmte=tss).

October 18, 2023 Meeting

At its first meeting, the task force was briefed by Richard H. Gibson, Jr., State's Attorney for Howard County and President of the Maryland State's Attorneys' Association, on the topic of existing State's Attorneys' policies regarding data transparency on charging decisions and sentencing recommendations. In addition, Mona Sahaf, Esq., Director of the Reshaping Prosecution Initiative within the Vera Institute of Justice, gave a presentation on best practices/national standards regarding prosecutorial data transparency on charging decisions and sentencing recommendations.

November 1, 2023 Meeting

At its second meeting, the task force heard about different case management systems available for the use of prosecutors. Presenters included Melba V. Pearson, Esq. and Dr. Brian Johnson of The Prosecutorial Performance Indicators, Tony Yuill of Judicial Dialog Systems, and Jeff Karpel and Lee Ann Karpel of Karpel Solutions.

November 14, 2023 Meeting

At its third meeting, David A. Soulé, Ph.D., Executive Director of the Maryland State Commission on Criminal Sentencing Policy, briefed the task force about data collected by the Maryland State Commission on Criminal Sentencing Policy. The task force was also briefed about information collected by the Judiciary by Nancy Faulkner, Deputy State Court Administrator, Sarah Parks, Manager, Business Analysis for the Administrative Office of the Courts, and Jamie Walter, Director of Research and Analysis for the Administrative Office of the Courts.

In addition, J. Charles Smith III, State's Attorney for Frederick County, Ryan Wechsler, Deputy State's Attorney for Montgomery County, and Darren O'Brien, Assistant State's Attorney and Director of Management Information Systems, Baltimore City State's Attorney's Office gave presentations on case management systems in use in Maryland.

November 28, 2023 Meeting

At its fourth meeting, the task force met to discuss and agree upon final recommendations.

Recommendations

The task force's consensus recommendations are as follows:

Recommendation 1

All State's Attorney's offices in the State should adopt and use an automated case management system (CMS). Each system should be able to export data to share with other entities, including the State.

Recommendation 2

A statewide uniform data collection procedure should be adopted. The data collection system should use dropdowns and radio buttons for data entry whenever possible, as opposed to solely using fields for entry of text, to allow for data aggregation and analysis. To ensure each CMS meets the basic functioning of a prosecutor's office, the following data points, at a minimum, should be collected for each case by State's Attorneys' offices:

- 1. charges at arrest;
- 2. filed charges;
- 3. final disposition of all charges;
- 4. whether a plea offer was made;
- 5. if the case was dismissed, the reason for the dismissal;
- 6. if the case was declined, the reason for the declination;
- 7. dates for decision points 1 through 6;
- 8. the referring law enforcement agency;
- 9. the assigned prosecutor(s);
- 10. defendant characteristics (e.g., race/ethnicity, age, gender, zip code); and
- 11. victim characteristics (e.g., race/ethnicity, age, gender, zip code).

These data points are based on national best practices as discussed in the Vera Institute of Justice presentation at the October 18, 2023, meeting. Training should be offered and best practices should be followed to facilitate the collection of this data in a clear and consistent manner both within and across offices. This body or a future task force or other body should consider expanding the data points required to be collected.

The Task Force duly notes that concern was expressed that much of this information is already collected by other State agencies and that the redundancy brings about a cost to be borne by taxpayers unnecessarily. We also note the concern raised that collecting this type of information could create a "score chasing mentality" that would corrupt the pursuit of justice. In contrast, we note that others raised concerns about recent data showing Maryland incarcerating Black people

at almost five times the rate of white people, and a concern that prosecutor data needs to be tracked and studied in order to better understand racial, socio-economic, and other disparities in the criminal justice system and their causes and trends.

Recommendation 3

State funding should be provided to State's Attorneys' offices to assist with CMS setup costs and costs needed to patch each CMS to facilitate data sharing between State's Attorneys' offices.

Recommendation 4

There should be some manner of data publication/release, to be decided locally, while this body or a future task force or other body should consider the provision of funding for county data analysts or a statewide data analyst. In the meantime, the State should consider whether existing resources allow for a minimum statewide analysis of basic data already gathered for some State's Attorneys' offices, including the total number of:

- 1. cases referred from the police;
- 2. cases declined;
- 3. cases dismissed;
- 4. plea offers made;
- 5. cases resolved by plea;
- 6. cases that went to trial; and
- 7. cases diverted.

In addition, data points 1 through 7 should be disaggregated by race/ethnicity, gender, and severity (felony or misdemeanor), so as to enable identification of disparities and inequities at key decision points.

Recommendation 5

A bill should be introduced in the 2024 session to:

- extend the life of the task force for three years to oversee the implementation of the recommendations contained in this report, track their progress and effectiveness in achieving the goals of enhanced transparency and accountability, and consider expanding the recommendations;
- expand the membership of the ongoing task force to possibly include (1) the Public Defender of Maryland or the Public Defender's designee; (2) the Executive Director of the Governor's Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services or the

Executive Director's designee; (3) the Attorney General of Maryland or the Attorney General's designee; and (4) additional State's Attorneys representing jurisdictions of different sizes and with different stages of implementation of case management systems and data dashboards; and

• create a fund to provide grants to counties to defray costs for CMS setup and patching.

Conclusion

The task force looks forward to the implementation of these recommendations and achieving the worthy goal of increased transparency for State's Attorneys' offices in Maryland.

While some states have passed laws requiring collection of additional data points that are not included in these recommendations, we believe the recommendations are a solid starting point as Maryland State's Attorneys begin to build a culture of consistent, accurate data collection and overall transparency. Based on lessons from other jurisdictions, the public stands to benefit from shifting this culture and its needed practices incrementally towards shared goals in a manner that will not overwhelm our public servants as they adjust to new data collection and reporting requirements. These recommendations represent only the first steps and a floor.

The task force would like to thank staff of the Department of Legislative Services and the individuals identified above who briefed or provided testimony to the task force.

Appendix 1. Maryland State's Attorney's Office Case Management System List

<u>Jurisdiction</u>	Case Management System	
Allegany	PBK	
Anne Arundel	PBK	
Baltimore City	JD	
Baltimore County	PBK	
Calvert	JustWare by Journal Tech	
Caroline PBK		
Carroll	JD	
Cecil	PBK	
Charles	PBK	
Dorchester	JD	
Frederick	JD	
Garrett	None	
Harford	PBK	
Howard	JD	
Kent	Microsoft Access	
Montgomery	PBK	
Prince George's	JD	
Queen Annes	None	
St. Mary's	PBK	
Somerset	PBK	
Talbot	None (currently in the process of obtaining PBK)	
Washington	JD	
Wicomico	JD (in process of switching to PBK)	
Worcester	PBK	

JD: Judicial Dialog

PBK: Prosecutor by Karpel

Appendix 2. Transparency Measures for Prosecutors Required by Legislation Nationwide

Arizona

SB 1523 (Ch. 278) of 2018 required, for calendar 2019 only, two county attorney offices to publish specified prosecutorial data¹ on their websites on a monthly basis.

California

Cal. Penal Code § 13370 – enacted in 2022

Requires the submission of specified data² by all prosecutors' offices statewide, collection and aggregation of the data and publication of metrics by the Department of Justice, and the creation of a Prosecutorial Transparency Advisory Board to ensure transparency, accountability, and equitable access to prosecutorial data.

Colorado

SB 15-185 of 2015 (enacted) requires each law enforcement agency to report specified data on stops and arrests, requires the judicial department to report specified data on charges, dispositions, sentences, and probation revocations³, and requires the department of corrections to report specified data on parole hearings, grants of parole, and parole denials, to the Division of Criminal Justice within the Colorado Department of Public Safety. The Division must compile and publicly report the data on an annual basis.

Connecticut

SB 880 of 2019 (enacted) – requires the Division of Criminal Justice to collect specified prosecutorial data⁴. Each year, the Office of Policy and Management shall make a presentation to the Criminal Justice Commission on prosecutorial data collected during the previous calendar year and make the presentation publicly available on the Internet.

SB 1070 of 2022 (enacted) – requires each state's attorney to appear before the commission annually for testimony and comment on the data collected.

¹ See Attachment – Data Points

² See Attachment – Data Points

³ See Attachment – Data Points

⁴ See Attachment – Data Points

Florida

Fla. Stat. § 900.05(3)(a) – enacted in 2018

Requires local and state criminal justice agencies (court clerks, state's attorneys⁵, public defenders, county detention facilities, and the Department of Corrections) to collect specified criminal justice data and report it to the Department of Law Enforcement, which must publish the data on its website in an accessible and searchable format.

Maryland

Section 15-302 of the Criminal Procedure Article provides that:

"The [State's Attorney's] Coordinator shall:

. .

(3) with the approval of the [State's Attorneys' Coordination] Council, establish and implement uniform reporting procedures for State's Attorneys and professional staffs of State's Attorneys to maintain and provide statistical data and information relating to prosecutorial functions and standards of the office of the State's Attorney;

. . . ''

Minnesota

M.S.A. § 388.051 (effective January 1, 1995) requires each county attorney to adopt written, publicly available guidelines governing the county attorney's charging and plea negotiation policies and practices. At a minimum, the guidelines must address:

- (1) the circumstances under which plea negotiation agreements are permissible;
- (2) the factors that are considered in making charging decisions and formulating plea agreements; and
- (3) the extent to which input from other persons concerned with a prosecution, such as victims and law enforcement officers, is considered in formulating plea agreements.

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⁵ See Attachment – Data Points

New Jersey

N.J. Stat. § 2A:4A-26.1

- The Juvenile Justice Commission must create a program to collect, record, and analyze data⁶ regarding waiver of jurisdiction of a juvenile delinquency case by the Superior Court, Chancery Division, Family Part to an appropriate court and prosecuting authority.
- The Juvenile Justice Commission must publish on its website biennial reports summarizing the data collected, recorded, and analyzed, and submit the reports to the Governor and the legislature.

Utah

Utah Code Ann. § 63M-7-216

- Each prosecution agency must submit to the Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice specified information about each criminal case referred to it⁷
- The Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice must include in its annual criminal justice plan an analysis of the data received from each prosecution agency, comparing and contrasting the practices and trends among and between prosecutorial agencies in the state. The Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice Interim Committee may request an in-depth analysis of the data received annually.
- The Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice may provide assistance to prosecutorial agencies in setting up a method of collecting and reporting data required.
- Each prosecutorial agency must publish office policies for specified topics.
- A prosecutorial agency not in compliance with these requirements may not receive grants or other funding intended to assist with bringing the agency into compliance.

⁶ See Attachment – Data Points

⁷ See Attachment – Data Points

Attachment – Data Points

Arizona

- 1. The respective aggregate number of misdemeanor and felony cases by individual defendant:
 - (a) That are indicted by the prosecutor's office.
 - (b) That are resolved by the prosecutor's office through a plea agreement. If resolved through a plea agreement, the prosecutor shall post the aggregate number of cases in which the defendant either:
 - (i) Pleaded guilty.
 - (ii) Pleaded no contest.
- (c) That are presented for bench or jury trial consideration, excluding prior conviction trials.
 - (d) In which a first-time felony offender received a sentence of:
 - (i) Less than one year of imprisonment.
 - (ii) One year or more but less than three years of imprisonment.
 - (iii) Three years or more but less than five years of imprisonment.
 - (iv) Five years or more but less than ten years of imprisonment.
 - (v) Ten years or more of imprisonment.
 - (e) In which a repetitive offender received a sentence of:
 - (i) Less than one year of imprisonment.
 - (ii) One year or more but less than three years of imprisonment.
 - (iii) Three years or more but less than five years of imprisonment.
 - (iv) Five years or more but less than ten years of imprisonment.
 - (v) Ten years or more of imprisonment.
- 2. For each individual defendant's indicted case, a breakdown of each offense charged and whether that offense was charged as a misdemeanor or felony.

- 3. For each misdemeanor and felony offense that was charged in each individual defendant's case:
 - (a) Whether the offense was resolved by plea agreement.
- (b) If the offense was resolved by plea agreement, whether the defendant pleaded guilty or no contest.
- (c) Whether the offense was presented for bench or jury trial consideration, excluding prior conviction trials.
- (d) The verdict on each misdemeanor and felony charge that was submitted for bench or jury trial consideration.
 - (e) The final sentence entered on each charge.
- (f) Any changes that were mandated by an appellate court to a final sentence that was entered by a justice or superior court.
- 4. For each individual defendant's case, whether the defendant has previously been charged with a felony in this state and, if the defendant has previously been charged with a felony in this state, how many prior felony charges in this state.
- 5. For each individual defendant's case in which the defendant has a prior felony conviction, a description of each prior felony conviction.
- 6. The amount, as recorded by the arresting officer, that was the basis for the following charges:
 - (a) Possession or use of marijuana or a dangerous or narcotic drug.
 - (b) Possession for sale of marijuana or a dangerous or narcotic drug.
- (c) Possession of equipment or chemicals, or both, for the purpose of manufacturing a dangerous or narcotic drug.
 - (d) Manufacturing a dangerous or narcotic drug.
 - (e) Administering a dangerous or narcotic drug to another person.
- (f) Obtaining or procuring the administration of a dangerous or narcotic drug by fraud, deceit, misrepresentation or subterfuge.
- (g) Transporting for sale, importing into this state or offering to transport for sale or import into this state, selling, transferring or offering to sell or transfer marijuana or a dangerous or narcotic drug.
- 7. For each misdemeanor and felony case, each individual defendant's:
 - a) Age.

- (b) Race or ethnicity.
- (c) Declared gender.

California

- (1) The court case number used by the court to identify a case. The court case number shall be assigned to each case and charge within a case prosecuted by the agency.
- (2) The Internal Case Number (ICN) assigned to each case by the Case Management System (CMS). This number shall be assigned to each case and charge within a case prosecuted by the agency. If the agency does not currently use an ICN, the agency shall create and apply an ICN as directed by the department.
- (3) Whether the case is pending, has concluded, is on appeal, or is inactive, such as when a defendant is in warrant status.
 - (4) The ZIP Code where most of the acts comprising the crimes charged occurred.
- (5) The date of the crime. If multiple crime dates are alleged, the date of the crime shall be the earliest date alleged in the charging document.
- (6) The name and Originating Agency Identifier (ORI), as designated by the National Law Enforcement Telecommunications System, of the law enforcement agency that investigated the case for submission to the prosecutor.
 - (7) The ZIP Code of the arrest.
 - **(8)** The date of the arrest.
- (9) Each charge and enhancement, including any special circumstance or special allegation, referred by law enforcement, including a uniform description, statute number, and level, either felony or misdemeanor.
- (10) The date on which charges were filed, the case was discharged, or the case was returned for further investigation.
- (11) Each charge, enhancement, and special circumstance or special allegation filed by the agency in the initial charging document.
 - (12) For each case declined to prosecute, each charge that the agency declined to prosecute.
 - (13) The county in which the case was filed.
 - (14) The date on which the defendant initially entered a plea to the charges.

- (15) The date on which the defendant first appeared in a case, whether or not an arraignment took place.
- (16) The date on which bail or bond was set by the court in open court and the amount of bail set.
- (17) The agency pretrial release recommendation for each case, as stated in open court, as described in standardized terms developed by the department.
- (18) The prosecution bail recommendation for each case stated in open court according to standardized terms developed by the department.
- (19) The court pretrial detention determination at arraignment as described in standardized terms developed by the department.
 - (20) Whether the defendant posted bail.
- (21) The date of any release from custody, the reason for release, and the terms of that release. The department shall develop standardized terms for this data element.
- (22) The start and end date for every period of pretrial detention for a defendant in a case and the reason for that detention as described in standardized terms provided by the department.
- (23) The date of any amendments adding charges or enhancements to a charging document, including a complaint, indictment, or information.
- (24) The charges, enhancements, special circumstances, or special allegations added to a charging document by amendment.
- (25) The date on which the first plea bargain offer was made by the agency to each defendant. For purposes of this section, plea bargain offer is defined as the terms of resolution of a case made by the agency that are ultimately transmitted to the defendant by their counsel for consideration, which is commonly called a "bona fide offer" or, if the defendant is in propria persona, the first offer to resolve a case transmitted to the defendant on any given date.
- (26) The terms of the initial plea bargain offer communicated to the defendant or the defendant's counsel. The department shall develop a standardized method to capture the terms of the initial plea bargain offer according to uniform definitions.
- (27) Whether the prosecutor determined that the defendant was eligible for diversion. For purposes of this section, diversion is defined as a program, either as created and defined by state law or an agency, by which charges are reduced or dismissed as part of participation in alternatives to prosecution such as counseling, therapy, restorative justice principles, or periods of noncriminality.

- (28) Whether the defendant was offered a diversion program by the agency.
- (29) Whether the court granted or denied a motion for diversion as allowed by law, if such a motion was made.
 - (30) Whether the defendant agreed to participate in a diversion program.
- (31) Whether the agency opposed the defendant's request for diversion, if that request was made in open court, and the reason for the opposition, if given in open court, using standardized terms, including the following:
 - (A) "Public safety."
 - **(B)** "Criminal history."
 - (C) "Failure of the defendant to consent."
- **(D)** "Failure of the defendant to comply with current or prior diversion program terms."
 - **(E)** "Statutory ineligibility."
 - (F) "Discretion."
 - **(G)** "Other."
- (32) The type of diversion according to standardized terms to be developed by the department, including terms to describe each of the following:
 - (A) Mental health diversion pursuant to Section 1001.36.
 - **(B)** Veteran diversion pursuant to Section 1001.80.
 - (C) Misdemeanor diversion pursuant to Section 1001.95.
 - (**D**) Drug diversion pursuant to Section 1000.
 - **(E)** Other diversion.
- (33) Whether the prosecutor determined that the defendant was eligible for collaborative court. For purposes of this section, collaborative court is a program wherein the prosecution of the case is stayed in order to engage in any collaborative process, such as by the agency, the public defender, and the court, to address underlying issues such as chemical dependency or mental health issues.
- (34) Whether the court granted or denied a motion for collaborative court, if such a motion was made.

- (35) Whether the defendant agreed to participate in a collaborative court program.
- (36) Whether the agency opposed the defendant's request for collaborative court, if that request was made in open court, and the reason, if given in open court, for the opposition, using standardized terms, including the following:
 - (A) "Public safety."
 - **(B)** "Criminal history."
 - (C) "Failure of the defendant to consent."
- **(D)** "Failure of the defendant to comply with current or prior collaborative court program terms."
 - (E) "Statutory ineligibility."
 - (F) "Discretion."
 - **(G)** "Other."
- (37) The type of collaborative court according to standardized terms to be developed by the department, including terms to describe each of the following:
 - (A) Mental health collaborative court.
 - **(B)** Veteran collaborative court.
 - (C) Drug or DUI collaborative court.
 - **(D)** Community or homeless collaborative court.
 - (E) Other collaborative court.
- (38) The date on which a charge was resolved, whether by dismissal, acquittal, conviction, or other grounds.
- (39) The disposition of each charge and enhancement, including any special circumstance or special allegation. Specifically, whether the charge or enhancement was resolved by dismissal, acquittal or not true finding, or conviction. If conviction, whether the conviction was by plea or by trial.
- (40) For any special circumstance alleged in the charging document, whether the defendant was alleged to be the actual killer as defined by paragraph (1) of subdivision (e) of Section 189.
 - (41) The date a sentence was imposed by the court.

- (42) The sentence imposed by the court, including any restitution, fines, and period of incarceration imposed.
- (43) Whether or not the agency engaged in any postconviction resentencing, defined for purposes of this section as any resentencing where, after judgment and sentencing on a case, the agency revisited the sentence, including, but not limited to, proceedings under Section 1172.1, and the outcome of that resentencing.
- (44) Whether or not the agency engaged in any parole proceedings, the formal recommendation of the agency during that proceeding, and the outcome of that proceeding.
- (45) Whether or not the agency engaged in any commutation or pardon proceedings, the official recommendation of the agency for those proceedings, and the outcome of those proceedings.
- (46) Whether a motion was made by a party under Section 231.7 of the Code of Civil Procedure, the party making the motion, and the result of that motion.
- (47) Whether a criminal informant was used and whether that informant was used in a custodial or noncustodial setting. This paragraph shall apply only if the existence and nature of the informant was disclosed as part of the public proceedings of the case.
- (48) Whether competency proceedings were initiated under Section 1368, 1368.1, or 1369 and the result of those proceedings.
- (49) Whether the last attorney of record at the conclusion of the case was private, publicly retained, or whether the defendant was in propria persona.
 - (50) Whether the defendant pled not guilty by reason of insanity.
 - (51) Whether conservatorship proceedings were instituted.
 - (52) For each defendant charged in a case, all of the following:
 - (A) Their name.
- **(B)** The Criminal Identification and Information/State Identification number assigned by the department.
 - **(C)** The date of birth.
- **(D)** The defendant's anonymized identifier created by CMS within the agency. If the agency does not currently use an anonymized identifier created by CMS, the agency shall create and apply an anonymized identifier as directed by the department.
 - (E) The defendant's age at the time of the crime.

- **(F)** The defendant's race as determined according to standardized definitions developed by the department.
- **(G)** The source of the information regarding the defendant's race. The department shall develop a standardized list of sources of information regarding a defendant's race, including, but not limited to, defendant's advocate or record of arrests and prosecution.
- **(H)** The defendant's ethnicity as determined according to standardized definitions developed by the department.
- (I) The source of the information regarding the defendant's ethnicity. The department shall develop a standardized list of sources of information regarding a defendant's ethnicity.
- (J) Whether the defendant or their counsel has identified in open court or in a filing with the court that the defendant has a physical disability or a disability as described in the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders.
 - **(K)** The type of disability so identified, if any.
 - (L) The defendant's gender.
- **(M)** Whether the defendant has disclosed to the prosecution that they identify as transgender, nonbinary, or intersex.
- (N) The defendant's county of residence, if reflected in the court record, including, if the defendant is unhoused, an approximation of the county of residence as determined from direction by the department.
- (O) Whether the defendant was on probation at the time the acts comprising the crime charged occurred.
- **(P)** Whether the defendant was on parole at the time the acts comprising the crime charged occurred.
- (Q) Whether or not the defendant was required to register as a sex offender under Sections 290 to 290.024, inclusive, at the time the acts comprising the crime charged occurred.
 - (53) For each victim, all of the following:
 - (A) Whether there was a victim identified.
 - **(B)** The race.
 - **(C)** The ethnicity.

- **(D)** The age at the time of the crime.
- (E) Gender identification.
- **(F)** Whether the victim made a request to the court to drop the charges or indicated to the court that they would not be willing to testify or that they would be willing to testify.
- (54) For each agency or division, if only select divisions perform criminal prosecution within an agency, all of the following data shall be reported by July 1 each year:
- (A) The number of full-time or full-time equivalent attorneys who carry nonappellate adult criminal caseloads as of the reporting date.
- **(B)** The number of part-time attorneys who carry nonappellate adult criminal caseloads as of the reporting date.
 - (C) The number of investigators employed by the office as of the reporting date.
- **(D)** The number of personnel dedicated to providing victim services employed by the office as of the reporting date.
- **(E)** The average annual felony caseload for attorneys who carry nonappellate adult criminal caseloads for the preceding calendar year.
- **(F)** The average annual misdemeanor caseload for attorneys who carry nonappellate adult criminal caseloads for the preceding calendar year.
- **(G)** The office limits, if any, regarding the number of felony cases a single attorney can carry over a one-year period.
- **(H)** The office limits, if any, regarding the number of misdemeanor cases a single attorney can carry over a one-year period.
- (I) The number of victims the prosecutor's victim's services unit contacted, and number of victims the prosecutor's victim's services unit provided services to during the reporting period. For purposes of this section, services are defined as tangible resources or assistance with recovering tangible resources including, but not limited to, seeking reimbursement from the California Victim Compensation Board, residence relocation, or application for a U visa. Services do not include informing victims of court dates and relaying case information or offers to plea a case.

Colorado

a) the number and types of charges that resulted from specified arrests, the race and gender of the defendants, and the associated incident report numbers;

- b) the disposition of the charges reported pursuant to paragraph (a), including convictions at trial, acquittals, plea agreements, and dismissals; the race and gender of the defendants, and the associated incident report numbers;
- c) the sentences imposed for all convictions and plea agreements reported pursuant to paragraph (b), the race and gender of the defendants, and the associated incident report numbers; and
- d) if a sentence reported pursuant to paragraph (c) is a sentence to probation, whether a petition to revoke probation was filed against the defendant, the disposition of the petition, the race and gender of the defendant, and the associated incident report number.

Connecticut

- (1) Arrests, including data on citations, summonses, custody arrests, warrants and on-site arrests;
- (2) Arraignments of individuals in custody;
- (3) Continuances;
- (4) Diversionary programs, including data on program applications, program diversions, successful completions by defendants of such programs, failures by defendants to complete such programs and people in diversion on the first of the month;
- (5) Contact between victims and prosecutorial officials, including data on cases involving victims;
- (6) Dispositions, including data on pending cases and cases disposed of;
- (7) Nonjudicial sanctions, including data on nonjudicial sanctions applied, successful completion of nonjudicial sanctions, failure of nonjudicial sanctions and persons on nonjudicial sanction status on the first of the month;
- (8) Plea agreements, including data on total plea agreements, agreements involving probation, agreements involving prison, other agreements and prosecutor's last best offer;
- (9) Cases going to trial, including data on cases added per month, pending trial cases, plea offers accepted by the court per month, plea offers rejected by the court per month, disposition by trial, disposition involving probation, disposition involving prison and other dispositions;
- (10) Demographics, including data on race, sex, ethnicity and age;
- (11) Court fees or fines, including those imposed by the court at the disposition of the defendant's case and any outstanding balance the defendant may have on such fees or fines;
- (12) Restitution amounts ordered pursuant to subsection (c) of section 53a-28 of the general statutes, including any amount collected by the court and any amount paid to a victim; and

(13) The zip code of the defendant's primary residence.

<u>Florida</u>

- 1. Information related to a human victim of a criminal offense, including:
 - a. Identifying information of the victim, including race or ethnicity, gender, and age.
 - b. Relationship to the offender, if any.
- 2. Number of full-time prosecutors.
- 3. Number of part-time prosecutors.
- 4. Annual felony caseload.
- 5. Annual misdemeanor caseload.
- 6. Any charge referred to the state attorney by a law enforcement agency related to an episode of criminal activity.
- 7. Number of cases in which a no-information was filed.
- 8. Information related to each defendant, including:
- a. Each charge referred to the state attorney by a law enforcement agency related to an episode of criminal activity.
 - b. Drug type for each drug charge, if applicable.

New Jersey

- (a) youth demographics, including age, gender, race, and ethnicity;
- **(b)** case characteristics, including the degree of the offense waived, the degree of the offense convicted, and the final court resolution;
 - (c) case processing times; and
 - (d) waiver rates by race and ethnicity.

<u>Utah</u>

(a) the	defendant's:
	(i) full name;
	(ii) offense tracking number;
	(iii) date of birth; and
	(iv) zip code;

- **(b)** referring agency;
- **(c)** whether the prosecutorial agency filed charges, declined charges, initiated a pre-filing diversion, or asked the referring agency for additional information;
 - (d) if charges were filed, the case number and the court in which the charges were filed;
 - (e) all charges brought against the defendant;
 - (f) whether bail was requested and, if so, the requested amount;
 - (g) the date of initial discovery disclosure;
 - (h) whether post-filing diversion was offered and, if so, whether it was entered;
- (i) if post-filing diversion or other plea agreement was accepted, the date entered by the court; and
 - (j) the date of conviction, acquittal, plea agreement, dismissal, or other disposition of the case.