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# Legislative Update

Helen Keller and her beloved cat, "Mittens".





# DWI

- SB 106-Menendez: Allows deferred adjudication for first time DWI (in Criminal Justice 2/1/19)
- HB 386-Burns: JP can issue blood search warrant
- HB 162-White: changes license suspension to 90 days
- HB-1086-Guillen: Raises the punishment for Intoxication Manslaughter and Intoxication Assault



# Marijuana

- HB 63-Moody and SB 156-Rodriguez: changes Class B to require more than one ounce or to 2 or less ounces and creates a civil penalty for possession of one ounce or less
- HB 186-Canales: removes adulterants and dilutants from weight for THC
- HB 335-Dutton: creates a Class C misdemeanor for possession of one ounce or less
- HB 371-Allen: Class C for one ounce or less
- HB 753-Wu: Reduces possession of less than 10g to a Class C misdemeanor



- HB 551-Canales: Creates an offense for possession and manufacture or delivery of marijuana concentrate
- SJR 8 Ballot Initiative





# Medical Marijuana

- HB 122-Hinojosa: Defense for medical marijuana
- HB 209-Reynolds
- SB 90-Menendez
- SB 400-West
- HJR 21-Reynolds and SJR 7-Rodriguez:  
Ballot initiatives



# Driver Responsibility Program

- Repeal:
  - HB 550-Canales
  - HB 683-White
  - SB 191-Miles (referred to Transportation)
- Reducing the amount of surcharges
  - SB 274-Watson





# Drivers Licenses

- HB 162-White: 90 day suspension
- HB 372-Allen: repeals Section 521.457(f) of the Transportation Code- enhancement of DWLI offense to a Class B
- HB 1013-White: Repeals suspensions for certain drug offenses



# Occupational Licenses

- HB 156-Moody: Court can order Personal Bond Office to supervise ODL with IID and charge a fee
- SB 217-Rodriguez same as above (referred to Criminal Justice 2/1/19)



# Ignition Interlocks

- HB 1022-Moody: Court must submit name of Def. ordered to install an IID to DPS for inclusion in a central database
- HB 364-Tinderholt: similar
- SB 558-Huffman: similar



# Miscellaneous

- HB 229-Gervin-Hawkins: Automatic sealing and expunction of Class B and C misdemeanors
- HB 344-Dutton: Makes criminal age of adulthood 18
- HB 1100-Raymond: Liquor stores can open on Sunday
- HB 234-Krause: Sale of lemonade or other beverages by children



