

## LEGISLATIVE BOXSCORE

LEGISLATIVE ISSUE	HOUSE	SENATE	FINAL	ABA POSITION
<p><b>Criminal Justice.</b> S. 328 and H.R. 968 would confer jurisdiction on the U.S. district courts to provide declaratory and injunctive relief against systemic violation of the right to counsel. S. 330 and H.R. 969 would establish a federal Defender Office for Supreme Court Advocacy to ensure right to counsel. S. 573 would establish a National Criminal Justice Commission. H.R. 1809 and S. 860 would revise and reauthorize the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act (JJDP A).</p>	<p>H.R. 968 and H.R. 969 were referred to the House Judiciary Cmte. on 2/7/17. House passed H.R. 1809 on 5/23/17.</p>	<p>S. 328 and S. 330 were referred to the Senate Judiciary Cmte. on 2/7/17. S. 573 was referred to the Senate Judiciary Cmte. on 3/8/17. S. 860 was referred to the Senate Judiciary Cmte. on 4/5/17.</p>		<p><b>Supports federal sentencing reform to address explosive growth in prison population and costs. Supports JJDP A and Second Chance Act reauthorization. Supports funding for federal and state indigent defense programs. Supports certain civil asset forfeiture reforms.</b></p>
<p><b>Federal Courts.</b> H.R. 720 and S. 237 would amend federal rules to require mandatory imposition of sanctions for lawyers who file non-meritorious lawsuits. H.R. 985 would amend federal rules regarding class actions. Numerous proposals would split the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals. H.R. 2266 would convert 14 temporary bankruptcy judgeships to permanent status and authorize four new permanent bankruptcy judgeships.</p>	<p>House passed H.R. 985 on 3/9/17 and H.R. 720 on 3/10/17. A Judiciary subcommittee held a hearing on splitting the Ninth Circuit on 3/16/17. House passed H.R. 2266 on 5/17/17.</p>	<p>S. 237 was referred to the Senate Judiciary Cmte. on 1/30/17.</p>	<p>President signed P.L. 114-113 (H.R. 2029) on 12/18/15. President signed P.L. 114-254 (H.R. 2028) on 12/10/16.</p>	<p><b>Supports adequate judicial resources and opposes efforts to infringe on separation of powers or undermine the judiciary.</b></p>
<p><b>Immigration.</b> The president issued executive orders on 1/25/17, and 1/27/17 followed by a revised executive order 3/6/17 on border security, immigration enforcement, and visa and refugee programs. Federal judges temporarily blocked the orders nationwide that suspended entry from majority-Muslim countries.</p>				<p><b>Supports improvements in the immigration court and adjudication system. Opposes mandatory detention and supports alternatives to detention. Supports access to counsel and due process safeguards.</b></p>
<p><b>Legal Services Corporation (LSC).</b> President's FY 2018 budget issued on 5/23/17 includes no funding for LSC, which is currently funded at \$385 million under P.L. 115-31 (H.R. 244).</p>			<p>President signed P.L. 115-31 (H.R. 244) on 5/5/17.</p>	<p><b>Supports an independent, well-funded LSC.</b></p>