



## CIBRS/NIBRS Update

Automated Regional Justice Information System (ARJIS)

Public Safety Committee | Item 6

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### ARJIS Regional Crime Reporting



Regional law  
enforcement data  
sharing center

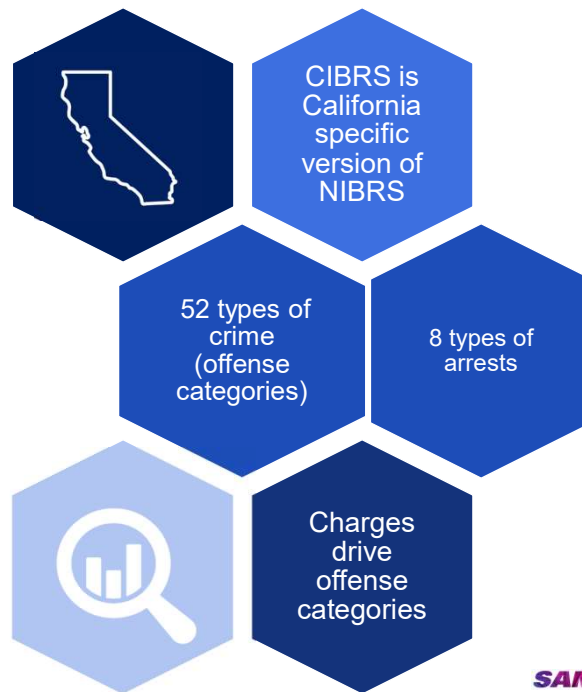


Compile, analyze  
and validate data



Report crime data to  
CalDOJ (CIBRS) and  
US DOJ (NIBRS)

## California Incident Based Reporting System (CIBRS)



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## CIBRS Update: CalDOJ Charge Impact Project



**ISSUE:** CalDOJ Master Charge table team has administratively repealed 175+ charge codes and rejected 53,000 cases from CIBRS/NIBRS submission



**IMPACT:** We are losing valuable data, context, and accuracy about the types of crimes occurring in our region



**RECOMENDATION:** ARJIS will lobby on behalf of your agencies to re-activate these charge codes

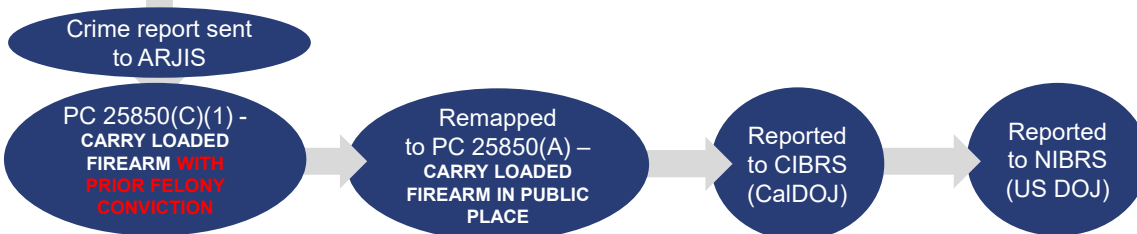
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# How Crimes are Charged and Reported

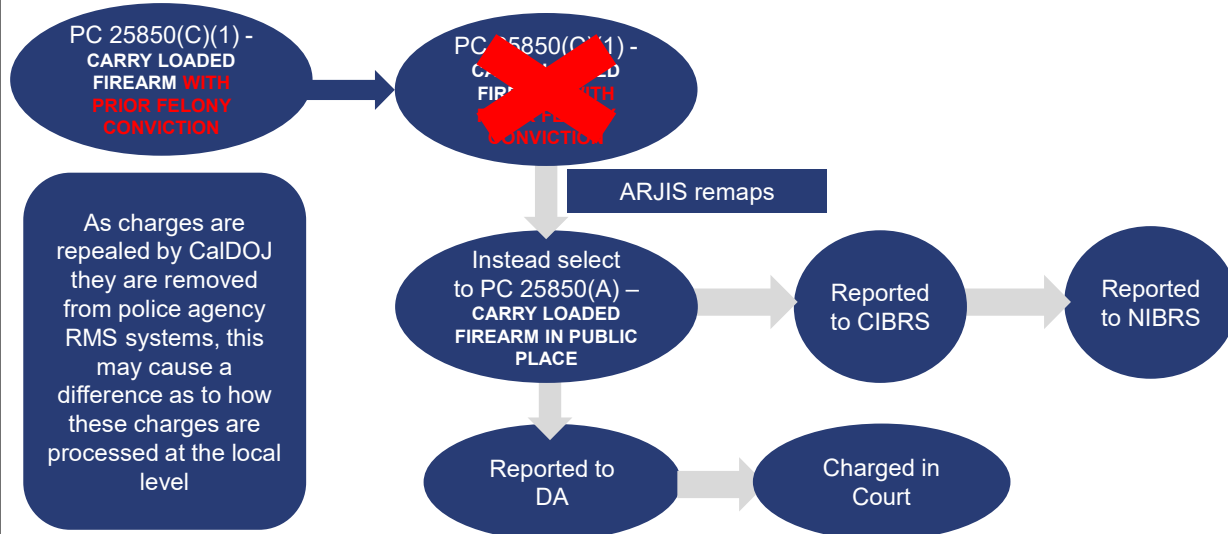
## Charging Crimes at Local Level



## Reporting Crimes to State and Federal Government

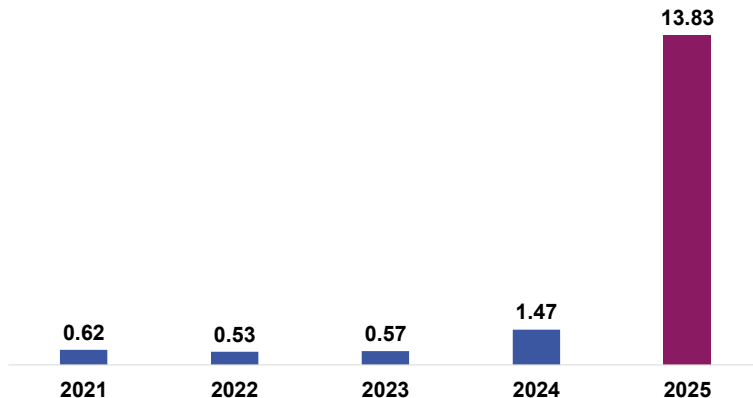


# Impact of Repealed Charges



## CIBRS Regional Error Rate Increasing

Percent of Invalid CIBRS Submissions



Regional CIBRS error rate under 1% 2021-2023, in 2024 175+ charges repealed by CalDOJ and now in 2025 error rate is 13.83% due to repealed charges being rejected by CA CIBRS team

## CalDOJ Repeal Effects on Local Charges

Charges on ARJIS Crime Cases 2019 – 2025	Total Charges
Charge Codes Not Repealed by CalDOJ	467,939 (90%)
Charges Repealed by CalDOJ	53,755 (10%)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>521,694</b>

If applied retroactively, Cal DOJ repealed codes would affect 10.3% of all charges that have been submitted to ARJIS since January 2019

# Policy Implications of Repealed Charges

## INCREASED CIBRS ERROR RATES

Repealed charges are driving a higher rate of rejected cases from CIBRS/NIBRS and CalDOJ/US DOJ



## LOSS OF DATA & FUNDING

Removing charges creates a loss of data accuracy and an inability to track crime trends



## POTENTIAL LOSS OF FUNDING

Higher CIBRS error rates could result in a loss of CIBRS certification and gaps between local data and state data which could drive losses in grant funds



# Regional CalDOJ Charge Impact Working Group

- Carlsbad Police Department
- Chula Vista Police Department
- Escondido Police Department
- San Diego Harbor Police Department
- San Diego Sheriff's Department
- San Diego Police Department
- Oceanside Police Department
- San Diego County District Attorney's Office

## Next Steps

- Continue meeting with regional Charge Impact Working Group
- Continue to document regional impacts of repealed charges within ARJIS databases
- Push for representation at state level on the Master Charge Working Group
- Document effects for CalDOJ and meet with their Teams
- Engage the California District Attorney's Association (CDDA)
- Lobby at California Police Chiefs Association (CPCA), and California State Sheriff's Association (CSSA), and eventually State Attorney General
- Explore options for keeping 2 versions of records, one local and one state version
- Provide ongoing updates to Public Safety Committee (PSC)