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TRAINING BULLETIN

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Proposition 36 Training Material

Proposition 36, titled “Allows Felony Charges and Increases Sentences for Certain Drug and Theft Crimes”, was a ballot proposition and legislative statute that passed by a landslide in the 2024 general election and went into effect last month. The proposition repealed parts of Proposition 47, passed during the 2014 general election, and amends the state constitution to increase penalties and allow felony charges for certain crimes.

The proposition will allow for the authorization of the following:

- Increasing the penalty for repeat shoplifters (two or more past convictions) of \$950 in value or less from a misdemeanor to a felony, punishable by up to three years in prison.
- Allowing felony sentences for certain crimes such as theft or damage to property to be lengthened if the crime is committed by a group of three or more people.
- Requiring that sentences for certain felonies such as drug dealing be served in prison.
- Allowing people convicted of possession of illegal drugs (specifically those who possess certain drugs such as methamphetamines or fentanyl or those who have two or more past convictions for drug crimes) to be charged with a "treatment-mandated felony" instead of a misdemeanor in some cases. Upon completion of treatment, charges will be dismissed. Upon failure to complete treatment, charges stand and include up to three years in state prison.
- Requiring courts to warn people that they could be charged with murder if they sell or provide illegal drugs (such as methamphetamines, fentanyl, heroin, and cocaine) that kill someone. This could allow for murder charges in the future if they later sell or provide illegal drugs to someone who dies.

Below is the Prop 36 training material District Attorney Nathan Hochman distributed to the Los Angeles County Police Chiefs Association.

The material includes:

- 1) A link to a 14-minute Vimeo training video that outlines Prop 36
- 2) A PDF hardcopy of the PowerPoint used in the video
- 3) A two-page easy reference guide

The goal in disseminating this material is to assist field level officers and their supervisors in determining proper booking charges.

Note: You must download this training bulletin to open the PDF files and Vimeo link.

[Navigating Proposition 36: An Overview for Law Enforcement Professionals on Vimeo](#)



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