

SURSAC Recommendation	Related Legislative Action & Biennium Funding 5536 – New “Blake” bill passed during special session 5187 = Biennium Budget (July 2023 – June 2025)
<p>Decriminalization of controlled substances and paraphernalia</p> <p>Emphasis on diversion for other eligible charges</p>	<p>5536 Sec 1(3): Counterfeit Substances</p> <p>5536 Sec 2: Controlled Substances</p> <p>5536 Sec 3: Cannabis</p> <p>5536 Sec 4: Legend Drugs</p> <p>5536 Sec 6: Forensic Lab Services; Sec 32: Funding for forensic lab services</p> <p>5536 Sec 9: Pretrial diversion</p> <p>5536 Sec 10: Other resolution to charges</p> <p>5536 Sec 11: Vacating convictions</p> <p>5536 Sec 22: Data integration platform for diversion programs</p>
<p>#1 – Recovery Housing Tax Incentive & Vouchers</p> <p>#18 – Continuum of Housing along substance use and recovery spectrum, including people who use drugs</p>	<p>5536 Sec 17(1): Establishing an “adequate and equitable stock” of recovery residences in each region of the state</p> <p>5536 Sec 17(2): Voucher program to allow accredited recovery housing operators to hold bed space for individuals who are waiting for treatment</p> <p>5536 Sec 15: Instructs Dept of Commerce, subject to funds appropriated, to fund the construction costs necessary to start up recovery housing in regions of the state that currently lack them</p> <p>5536 Sec 30: Funding for tax exemption administration</p> <p>5536 Sec 31: Funding for tax preference review</p> <p>5536 Sec 33(8): Funding for short-term housing vouchers</p> <p>5536 Sec 33(9): Grant funding for operational costs of new staffed recovery residences</p> <p>5536 Sec 33(11): Providing information & support related to safe housing & services for youth exiting inpatient mental health and/or SUD facilities</p> <p>5536 Sec 34: Grant funding for licensed youth shelters, HOPE centers, and crisis residential centers to provide behavioral health support services, including SUD services for youth in crisis</p>
<p>#2 – Legal advocacy</p>	<p>5536 Sec 35: Funding for defense providers re: Sec 39</p>

	5536 Sec 39: Reimbursement for defense providers of indigent defendants for eligible cases
#3 – LGBTQIA+ housing	5536 Sec 17(3): Outreach to underserved and rural areas to support the development of recovery housing, including adequate resources for women, LGBTQIA+ communities, immigrant communities, and youth 5536 Sec 17(4): Training for housing providers to assist with providing appropriate service to LGBTQIA+, Black, indigenous, immigrant, and other POC communities, including consideration of topics like harassment, communication, antiracism, diversity, and gender affirming behavior, and ensure applicants for grants or loans related to recovery residences receive access to the training
#4 – Training foster parents of children with SUD	5536 Sec 20: SUD training for parents
#5 – Paraphernalia Law	5536 Sec 7: Drug Paraphernalia 5536 Sec 8: Paraphernalia preemption
#6 – BHASO RNP Data	5536 Sec 24: WSIPP studies for RNP & LEAD 5536 Sec 25: BHASOs and RNPs
#7 – Health Engagement Hubs for People who Use Drugs	5536 Sec 26: Health Engagement Hubs (HEHs) 5536 Sec 33(4): HCA funding for HEHs
#8 – Education & Employment Support	5536 Sec 27: Education & Employment Pathways 5536 Sec 33(6): Funding for Education & Employment grants
#9 – WRHL and Asset Mapping	5536 Sec 28: Behavioral Health Services Mapping Tool with public-facing interface and internal management interface 5187, Sec 215, Proviso 68: Funding for HCA, DSHS RDA to implement community behavioral health service data into the existing executive management information system
#10 – Diversion & Referral Programs	5536 Sec 13: LEAD expansion (from pilot to ongoing grant program) 5536 Sec 33(12): LEAD funding 5536 Sec 33(1): AJA funding SB 5187, Sec 215, Proviso 96: RNP funding 5536 Sec 9: Pretrial diversion 5536 Sec 10: Other resolution to charges

	5536 Sec 11: Vacating convictions
#11 – Initial SUD Engagement & Measurement	SB 5536 Sec 36: SUD Assessments Work Group
#12 – Stigma Reducing Outreach in Schools	SB 5536 Sec 21: DCYF Naloxone for employees SB 5187, Section 215, Proviso 115(f): Health promotion and education campaign, with a focus on synthetic drug supplies, including fentanyl, and accurate harm reduction messaging for communities, law enforcement, emergency responders, and others (HCA & DOH)
#13 – Data Infrastructure for Diversion, RNP, and Services	5536 Sec 22: Data integration platform for diversion programs
#14 – Safe Supply Workgroup	5187 Sec 215, Proviso 124: Safe Supply Work Group funding and directives
#15 – Rural Access & Expansion of OTPs	5536 Sec 12: OTPs as essential public facilities 5536 Sec 14: OTP licensing & public notice 5536 Sec 15: Construction for SUD Tx 5536 Sec 29: Funding for DOH rules & inspections for mobile medication units 5536 Sec 33(5): Funding for OTP expansion, directive to prioritize rural areas
#16 – Recovery Housing Zoning	SB 5536 Sec 12: Recovery Residences as essential public facilities