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Photo of the Week: President Trumps Signs Executive Order on Artificial Intelligence at the Winning the AI Race Summit.

Weekly Update and Analysis

July 25, 2025

Brooks Bawden Moore's Weekly Update and Analysis highlights congressional, administrative, and regulatory activity related to justice, public safety, and homeland security. Feel free to reach out to us if you would like to discuss any items described in the update. Additionally, please feel free to distribute this product as you see fit.

What Happened This Week?

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The President also [signed an executive order](#) directing federal agencies to adopt a new approach to homelessness, addiction, and public safety. The order ties federal funding to how actively states and cities are enforcing laws related to vagrancy, drug use, and urban camping.

In Congress, the Senate moved forward with confirming a slate of nominations, including [Terrance Cole as Head of the Drug Enforcement Administration](#) and Arielle Roth to lead the National Telecommunications and Information Administration. The House passed legislation granting law enforcement officers free lifetime access to National Parks and Federal Recreational Lands, as well as a comprehensive reauthorization package for the Coast Guard.

The Senate Judiciary Committee advanced a [package of public safety bills](#), including legislation to provide grants supporting state, local, tribal, and law enforcement overdose data programs, such as the Overdose Detection Mapping Application Program (ODMAP).

The House Appropriations Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government (FSGG) advanced its [Fiscal Year 2026 spending bill](#) on a 9–6 party-line vote. The bill now moves to the full Appropriations Committee for consideration. The legislation includes continued support for the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas (HIDTA) Program — a federally coordinated initiative that strengthens partnerships between state, local, and federal entities in regions facing significant drug trafficking threats.

The House Appropriations Committee has released the [report accompanying its FY 2026 Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies funding bill](#). The report provides essential guidance on how the allocated funds should be used and offers transparency into the committee's priorities and policy recommendations. However, a scheduled full committee markup was postponed.

In other congressional news, the House Steering Committee [selected New York Congressman Andrew Garbarino to lead the House Homeland Security Committee](#), following the retirement of former chairman and member Mark Green. A [new bipartisan proposal in the House](#) would remove the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) from the Department of Homeland Security and place it directly under the authority of the President. The proposal comes as President Donald Trump pursues a broader restructuring of the agency. Meanwhile, states, local governments, and public and private sector entities await details on critical FY25 homeland security and preparedness grants that have been delayed at the agency.

The House has officially adjourned for summer recess and is not scheduled to resume business until September 2nd. The Senate will reconvene next week for at least one more week of work before its own summer recess begins. It plans to continue processing nominations and advancing funding packages, including the Commerce, Justice, Science bill. The Senate Judiciary Committee is also scheduled to hold a hearing on data privacy, a session expected to have broad implications for law enforcement tools and capabilities.

BBM Blog Posts of the Week

BBM posts timely updates on topics of interest to the public safety community. Please explore this week's blog posts below and click on any topic that interests you to stay updated. Email a member of the BBM team today to get our blog content delivered directly to your inbox.

- [Trump's AI Plan Could Cut Federal Funding for States With Tough AI Rules](#)
 - [NEW RESOURCE FROM THE HEALTH AND REENTRY PROJECT \(HARP\): Medicaid and Reentry – What's Changing Under the OBBBA](#)
 - [POLITICO: "Senators eye passage of three-bill bundle for 'minibus' funding package"](#)
 - [Bipartisan Bill Proposes Moving FEMA Out of Homeland Security](#)
 - [White House Releases AI Action Plan](#)
- [POLITICO: "Bove moves ahead in confirmation process despite Republican opposition"](#)
 - [Trump Signs Executive Order Aimed at Crime and Homelessness Response](#)
 - [Senate Judiciary Committee Advances Public Safety Bills](#)
 - [House Appropriations Committee Delays Markup of FY26 CJS Bill](#)
 - [House Appropriators Release FY 26 CJS Appropriations Report](#)
 - [House FSGG FY26 Spending Bill Advances with Key HIDTA Funding Provision](#)

- [Senate Confirms Terrance Cole as Administrator of Drug Enforcement Administration](#)
- [Senator Klobuchar Highlights the HIDTA Program](#)
- [What We're Watching on the Hill This Week: Appropriations, Nominations, and a Scramble Before Recess](#)

- [BGOV: Republican Panel Backs Garbarino as Homeland Security Chair](#)
- [House Releases FY26 Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Bill](#)

Congressional Roundtable Unites Leaders to Combat Antisemitic Violence



The House Homeland Security Subcommittee on Counterterrorism and Intelligence, chaired by August Pfluger (R-TX) with Ranking Member Seth Magaziner (D-RI), convened a roundtable of federal officials, law enforcement leaders, and Jewish community representatives to address the alarming rise in antisemitic violence and terrorism across the nation.

Participants included representatives from the Department of Homeland Security, the Anti-Defamation League, Secure Community Network, Jewish Council for Public Affairs, Major Cities Chiefs Association, National Fusion Center Association, and Major County Sheriffs of America, who shared critical insights from their respective areas of expertise.

The discussion focused on strengthening threat intelligence and information sharing, improving hate crime reporting, enhancing faith-based liaison programs, expanding training and community outreach efforts, and ensuring the effectiveness of key federal grant programs.

Capitol Hill Briefing Highlights AI's Role in Public Safety Recording Now Available



Capitol Hill Briefing Highlights AI's Role in Public Safety

The Integrated Justice Information Systems (IJIS) Institute, in partnership with the bipartisan Congressional AI Caucus, hosted a Capitol Hill briefing exploring how artificial intelligence (AI) is being effectively and responsibly applied across the public safety landscape. The event featured expert voices representing the Major County Sheriffs of America, Association of State Criminal Investigative Agencies (ASCA), American Correctional Association (ACA), National White Collar Crime Center (NW3C), National Center for State Courts (NCSC), National Center for Missing & Exploited Children (NCMEC), and leading AI industry partner C3.ai.

The discussion focused on real-world AI applications in law enforcement, corrections, and the courts - alongside the governance frameworks and ethical guardrails guiding their implementation.

A central highlight was the [IJIS AI Playbook](#) - a comprehensive, practical framework designed to support the responsible deployment of AI in public safety. Attendees also experienced a live AI demo and heard case studies illustrating measurable impact in the field.

[Listen to the recording here](#)

Floor Activity



Senate

Confirmation of Terrance Cole to be Administrator of Drug Enforcement, Department of Justice- [Confirmed 50-47](#)

Confirmation of Aaron Lukas to be Principal Deputy Director of National Intelligence, Office of the Director of National Intelligence- [Confirmed 51-46](#)

Confirmation of Bradley Hansell to be Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence and Security, Department of Defense- [Confirmed 61-35](#)

House of Representatives

[H.R.183 - Law Enforcement Officer and Firefighter Recreation Pass Act](#)

This bill directs the Forest Service and the Department of the Interior to make the National Parks and Federal Recreational Lands Pass available, without charge and for the lifetime of the passholder, to law enforcement officers.

Passed House (Voice Vote)

[H.R.4275 - Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2025](#)

Confirmation of Arielle Roth to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Communications and Information, Department of Commerce,- [Confirmed 52-41](#)

Confirmation of John Hurley to be Under Secretary for Terrorism and Financial Crimes, Department of the Treasury- [Confirmed 51-47](#)

This bill funds the Coast Guard through 2029, including investments in modernizing their fleet and tech and provides comprehensive reforms to the department

Passed House (399-12)

Congressional Hearings



Hearings This Past Week

Monday, July 21, 2025

[Fiscal Year 2026 Financial Services and General Government Bill](#)

Hearings Next Week

Wednesday, July 30, 2025

[Legislative Markup](#)

Financial Services and General Government
Subcommittee (House Appropriations Committee)
5:30PM, H-140 C

Tuesday, July 22, 2025

**Future of United States Maritime Part 1: Review of
Fiscal Year 2026 Federal Maritime Commission
Budget Request**

Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation
Subcommittee (House Transportation and Infrastructure
Committee)
10:00AM, 2167 RHOB

**Fully Operational: Stuxnet 15 Years Later and the
Evolution of Cyber Threats to Critical Infrastructure**

Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Protection
Subcommittee (House Homeland Security Committee)
10:00AM, 310CHOB

Foreign Abuse of U.S. Courts

Courts, Intellectual Property, Artificial Intelligence, and
the Internet Subcommittee (House Judiciary
Committee)
10:00AM, 2141RHOB

Bid Protest Reform: Understanding the Problem

Government Operations Subcommittee (House
Oversight and Government Reform)
10:00AM, HVC210

**Securing the Skies: Law Enforcement, Drones, and
Public Safety**

Senate Judiciary Committee
10:15AM, 216HSOB

**Task Force on Enhancing Security for Special
Events in the United States - Lessons Learned: An**

Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs
Committee
10:00AM, 342 DSOB

Legislative Markup

Senate Commerce, Science, and Transportation
Committee
10:00 AM, 253RSOB

Nominations

Senate Judiciary Committee

**The Future is Loper Bright: Congress's Role in the
Regulatory Landscape**

Subcommittee on Border Management, Federal
Workforce and Regulatory Affairs (Senate Homeland
Security and Governmental Affairs Committee)
2:00 PM, 226 DSOB

**Protecting the Virtual You: Safeguarding
American's Online Data**

Senate Judiciary Committee
3:00PM, 226DSOB

**Examination of Major Security Incidents at Mass
Gathering Events**

House Homeland Security Committee
2:00PM, 310CHOB

**Examining the Trump Administration's Work
Combatting Transnational Cartels in Indian
Country**

Oversight and Investigations Subcommittee (House
Natural Resources Committee)
2:30 PM, 13334HR LHOB

**Biden's Border Betrayal: Criminal Aliens in
America**

Subcommittee on Border Security and Immigration
(Senate Judiciary Committee)
2:30PM, 226 DSOB

Wednesday, July 23, 2025

**Catch and Release, Lose and Forget: Addressing
the Crisis of Unaccompanied Alien Children – Part I**

Federal Law Enforcement Subcommittee (House
Oversight and Government Reform Committee)
2:00PM, 2247 RHOB

An Update on Mail Theft and Crime

Government Operations Subcommittee (House
Oversight and government Reform Committee)
2:00PM, HVC210

**Today's Reform for Tomorrow's Victory: Strategic
Transformation of U.S. Counterintelligence**

House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence
10:30PM, HVC210

**Bureau of Counterterrorism FY26 Budget Posture
Hearing**

Middle East and North Africa Subcommittee (House
Foreign Affairs Committee)
2:00PM, 2172 RHOB

**Ending Illegal DEI Discrimination & Preferences:
Enforcing Our Civil Rights Laws**

Senate Judiciary Committee
2:30PM, 226DSOB

Thursday, July 24, 2025

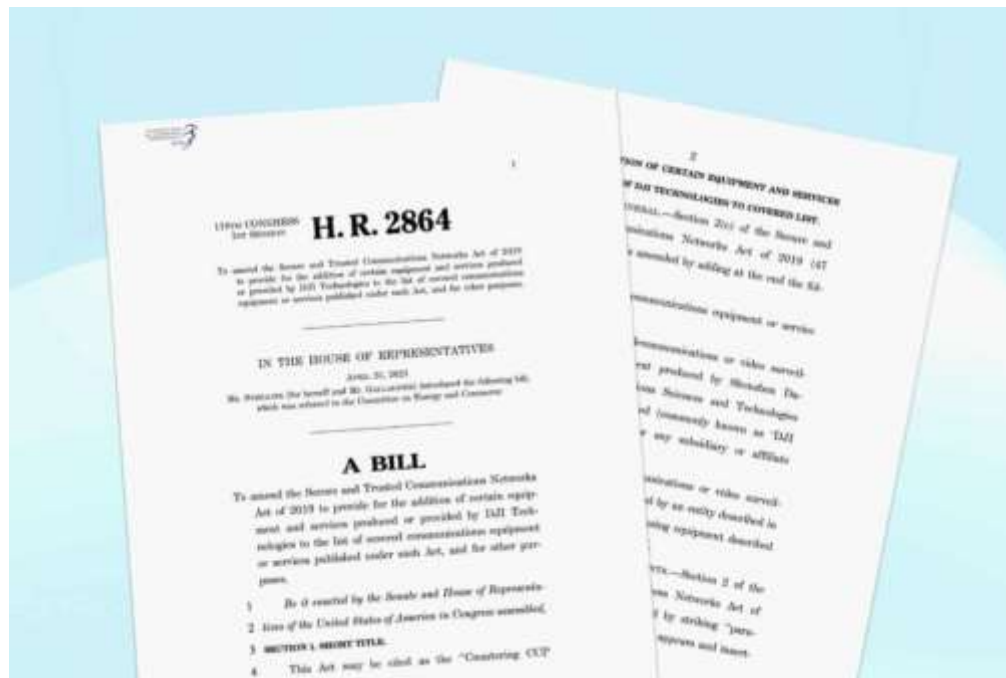
Nominations (DHS, CISA,ODNI)

Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs
Committee
9:30AM, 342DSOB

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New Bill Introductions



BBM has compiled a list of this week's newly introduced legislation relevant to Justice, Public Safety, and Homeland Security in the 119th Congress.

You can download the information as an Excel spreadsheet by clicking [below](#).

[Newly Introduced Legislation](#)

Congressional Calendar

JULY						
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6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		



House and Senate
in Session



Senate in Session
Only



House in Session
Only



Federal Holidays

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[BBM 2025 Congressional Calendar](#)

Community and Client News



Winning the Race AMERICA'S AI ACTION PLAN

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COPS

Community Oriented Policing Services
U.S. Department of Justice

COPS Office Releases New Fact Sheet on Elements of an Effective Active Shooter Course

This fact sheet is designed to help law enforcement leaders and trainers determine whether an active shooter training fits their needs. Law enforcement leaders and training personnel should review these topics and activities and determine whether their current active shooter training successfully incorporates these features.

[Download the Publication Here](#)

Crime Trends in U.S. Cities: Mid-Year 2025 Update



New CCJ report shows that homicide, most other violent crimes continue to fall below pre-pandemic levels

Homicide and other violent crimes continued to decline in the first half of this year, falling below levels seen before the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic and nationwide social justice protests of 2020, according to a new analysis of crime trends through June in 42 cities released today by the Council on Criminal Justice.

The study examined patterns for 13 crime types in cities that have consistently published monthly data over the past six years, analyzing violent crime, property crime, and drug offenses. It found:

Reported levels of 11 of 13 offenses were lower in the first six months of this year compared to the first half of 2024. Domestic violence was the only offense that rose (+3%) during this period, while drug offenses remained even.

Looking at trends over a longer period, only one offense—reported motor vehicle theft—remained elevated (+25%) at mid-year 2025 compared to mid-year 2019 totals, while nonresidential burglaries were even with those levels.

[Read the Report Here](#)



Secure Community Network Shares 2024 Annual Report

Secure Community Network's 2024 Annual Report, highlights their commitment to safeguarding Jewish life across North America during an unprecedented and volatile threat environment.

This year's theme, "In the Spirit of Partnership," reflects that collaboration is their network's greatest strength. As you read through these pages, you'll find powerful examples of how their mission translates into action, mitigating threats and building long-term resilience across North America.

In 2024, SCN's Duty Desk logged 5,409 threat and suspicious activity reports and made 1,364 referrals to law enforcement, including to the FBI. They trained more than 40,000 community members, helped secure \$23.7 million through the Nonprofit Security Grant Program, and achieved 100% baseline national coverage through our network of full-time security professionals.



[Read the Report Here](#)

Articles We Read This Week



Exclusive: 'A more vulnerable nation': FEMA memos lay out risks of plan to cut \$1B in disaster and security grants

The proposed cuts, which still require approval from the White House budget office and Congress, would zero out funding for more than half of FEMA's emergency management and homeland security grant programs, according to internal memos and two FEMA officials familiar with the plans.

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Increasing drone incidents near US airports, stadiums prompt alarm, officials say

U.S. officials told a Senate committee on Tuesday that there have been more than 3,000 drone events near American airports since 2021, including 11 aircraft this year that reported taking evasive action to avoid collisions.

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After Surge During Pandemic, Homicides Fall Significantly

Homicides in the United States have continued to fall sharply this year, according to a new analysis published Thursday by the Council on Criminal Justice, a nonprofit policy research organization, based on data from more than three dozen American cities. If the trend continues for the remainder of the year, the United States could post a third straight year of record declines in homicides.

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Forensic crime labs are buckling as new technology increases demand

Across the country, state and local crime labs are drowning in evidence. From rape kits to drug samples to vials of blood, delays in forensic testing are stalling prosecutions, stretching court calendars and forcing impossible choices about what gets tested — and what doesn't.

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Seattle's Real Time Crime Center helps change modern policing with high-tech surveillance

The Seattle Police Department's Real Time Crime Center is changing modern policing in the city, with live video feeds monitoring areas of high criminal activity. SPD Captain James Britt explained the center's capabilities, saying, "We're able to actually provide officers with still images. If it occurred in view of one of our cameras, we can actually provide still images of the subject involved directly onto the screen of the responding units."

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Laredo Police Department expands state-funded drone program to serve as first responders

The Laredo Police Department has begun deploying drones as first responders — autonomous aircraft that can deliver Narcan to overdose scenes, stream live footage to patrol officers and reach emergencies in less than three minutes.

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Crypto theft is booming as criminals increasingly turn to physical attacks

The value of cryptocurrencies stolen by criminals surged in the first six months of 2025 after a high-profile hack and a wave of physical attacks targeting crypto holders and their relatives.

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Seattle police should exit federal oversight after 13 years, DOJ says

The U.S. Justice Department on Wednesday recommended ending 13 years of court-ordered federal oversight of Seattle's police department, saying it substantially complied with reforms to address civil rights violations and excessive use of force. The Justice Department said in a statement to the U.S. District Court in Seattle that it supported ending the consent decree that established the arrangement in 2012.

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Upcoming Events



APCO 2025

Baltimore, MD
July 27-25, 2025

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ACA's 155th Congress of Correction

Denver, Colorado
August 21-26, 2025

[Learn More Here](#)



2025 Annual Conference

Dallas, Texas
September 22-24, 2025

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2025 Small and Rural Law
Enforcement Executives Association
Annual Conference

Lawrence, Kansas
July 27-29, 2025



MCCA 2025 Annual Conference

Denver, Colorado
October 15-17, 2025



2025 ASCIA Fall Conference

Denver, Colorado
October 16-18, 2025

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2025 SEARCH Annual Membership
Group Meeting

Virtual Event

July 29-31, 2025

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49th Annual Training Conference

Hollywood, Florida
August 8-12, 2025

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Justice, Public Safety, and Security
Artificial Intelligence (AI) Summit

Tysons Corner, Virginia
September 9-10, 2025

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