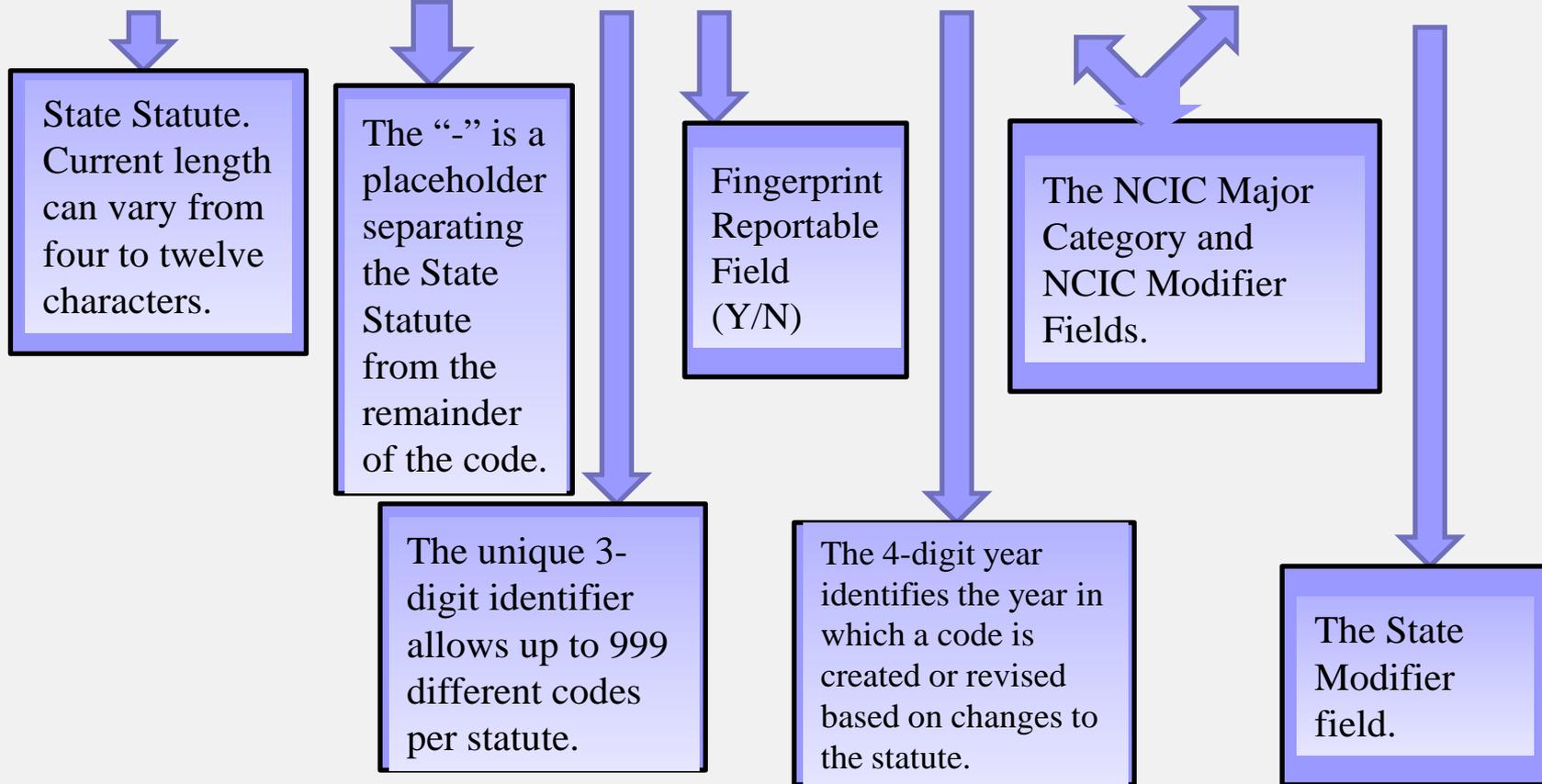


Missouri's New Charge Code

- In November 2013, the Missouri Charge Code Committee presented a new code format to members of state and local agencies from all across Missouri and requested feedback. This was the result of reformatting an antiquated charge code which had run out of numbers.
- In January 2014, the new format was approved by the State Judicial Records Committee.
- In October 2014, a multi-agency panel agreed the new charge code would go into effect on January 1, 2016.

Breakdown of the New Charge Code Format

565.020 - 001 Y 1984 11 99. 1



All digits left of the dash can change due to statute number changes. All digits right of the dash will stay constant.



Implementation Timetable

May-June 2015

In May and June, 2015, the Patrol's Criminal Justice Information Services Division and its Missouri Criminal History program will begin in-house testing and testing with outside interfaced systems.

January 1, 2016

The New Missouri Charge Code format will be implemented on January 1, 2016.

Homicide Code from the 2014 Charge Code Manual

Statute	Type/ Class	Charge Code	NCIC Category	NCIC Modifier	State Modifier	Description	F/P	Effective Date
565.020	Felony A	10021	09	07 08 99	0	Murder 1 st Degree	Y	10/1/1984

- Above is an excerpt of the Murder 1st Degree charge code in the current format and Manual.

- All pieces of the new format exist in the current manual; however, they are separated by columns and difficult to research.

- The new code combines the existing pieces into a new, easy-to-use format.

- Linking the current charge code to pre-existing codes is difficult when a statute change requires a charge code change. In the new format, a simple year change helps the user research old codes to know if he is using the most current code.

Conversion Examples

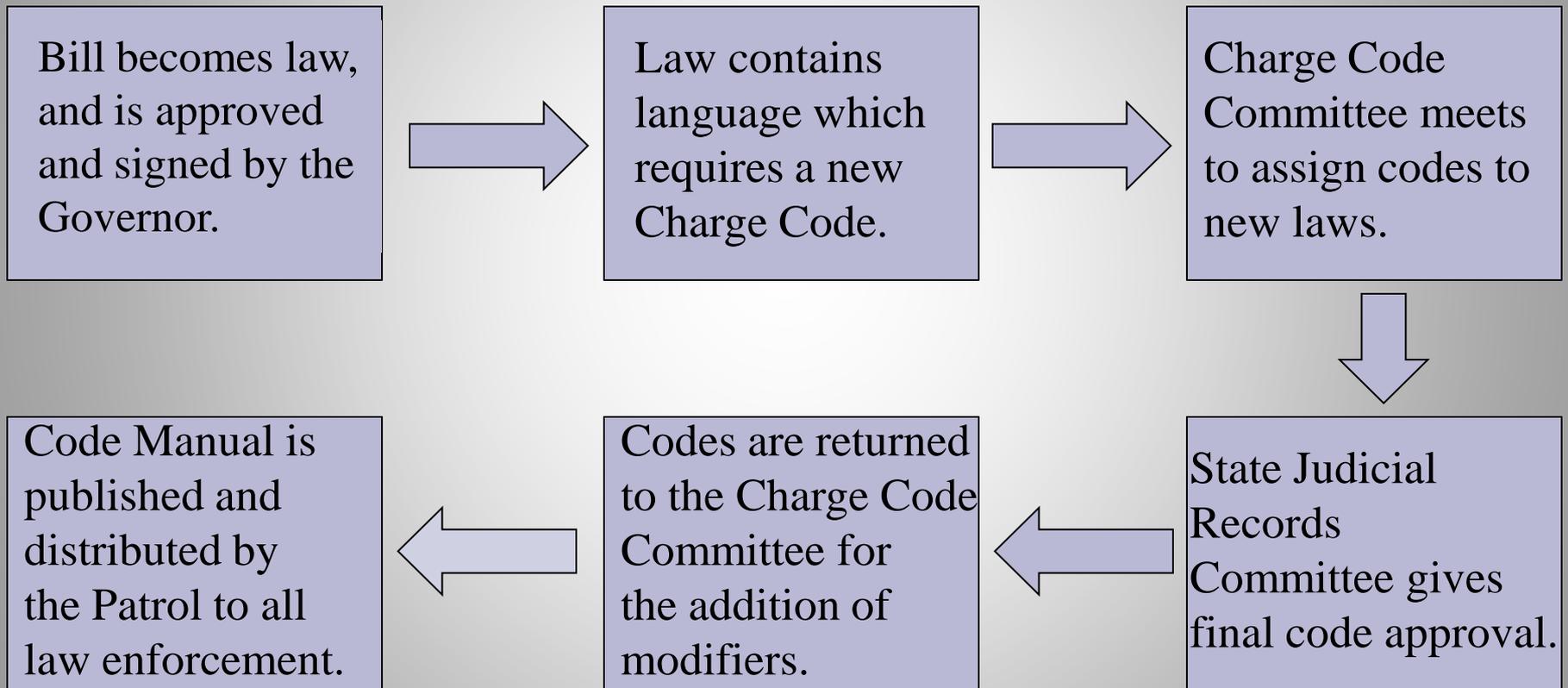
Current Active Charge Code	New Format Charge Code
1002107.1	565.020-001Y19840907.1
1003108.1	565.021-001Y19840908.1
1003409.1	565.021-002Y20090909.1
1003699.2	565.021-003Y19840999.2

Following is how the new charge code will look if it becomes inactive and replaced by a new code due to a statute change:



New Format Inactive Charge Code	New Format New Charge Code
565.020-001Y19840907.1	565.020-001Y20140907.1
565.021-001Y19840908.1	565.021-001Y20140908.1
565.021-002Y20090909.1	565.021-002Y20140909.1
565.021-003Y19840999.2	565.021-003Y20140999.2

Basic Assignment of a Charge Code



Statutory Authority

RSMo 43.500 & 43.512

RSMo 43.500 (7) established the “Missouri charge code” as a “unique number assigned by the office of state courts administrator to an offense for tracking and grouping offenses” to be used by all Missouri law enforcement agencies.

RSMo 43.512 - Charge code manual, publication, use.

The central repository, ..., shall publish and make available to criminal justice officials, a standard manual of codes for all offenses in Missouri. The manual of codes shall be known as the "Missouri Charge Code Manual," and shall be used by all criminal justice agencies for reporting information...



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