

An Act relating to criminal procedure; creating the Pretrial Release Act; providing short title; limiting application of act; requiring bail to be set by court; providing exception; recognizing existing provisions for bail upon formal charging or indictment; authorizing reaffirmation of bail upon formal charging; authorizing presiding judge to establish a pretrial bail schedule; exempting certain offenses; requiring publication and review of certain bail schedule; requiring pretrial bail to be set in dollar amount; directing the court to take certain action when a person fails to appear; authorizing bond to be reduced to judgment for failure to appear under certain circumstance; authorizing forfeiture of private bail under certain circumstance; directing pretrial release upon court order without undue delay; authorizing eligible counties to establish and fund certain programs; authorizing certain evaluation of certain persons by a pretrial program; requiring submission of recommendation to court following evaluation; authorizing judge to grant or deny pretrial release; authorizing standing orders for automatic evaluation of certain persons by pretrial programs; authorizing standing order for pretrial bail and bond; listing prohibited offenses; authorizing a district or associate district judge to order release of certain persons; setting minimum criteria for pretrial programs; requiring certain screening and evaluation prior to pretrial release consideration; requiring certain records be obtained; requiring certain reports be submitted to court; authorizing pretrial programs to provide community-based supervision; authorizing certain programs to enforce court-ordered conditions of release; requiring certain quarterly reports; requiring certain report be filed with court clerk; stating contents of reports; requiring certain programs to use local providers; exempting certain programs from requirement to use local providers; providing for codification; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.