

BILL SUMMARY
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Research Analysis

HB 1118 makes several changes related to bail bonds and bondsmen, including:

- Applications to be a bail bondsman would be valid for 3, rather than 6, months;
- Prohibiting operation of a bail bond business office where persons convicted of a felony or misdemeanor involving dishonesty or moral turpitude are present;
- Clarifying that marriage or cohabitation between a bail bonds licensee or applicant and a person disqualified from serving as a bail bondsman does not constitute receipt of benefits from the execution of a bond;
- Requiring notice to the court clerk of a change of residence or business address within 5 business days after a change;
- Providing that a bond shall be exonerated if the warrant issued by the court has not been entered into an active warrant database within 5 business days after its issued date, or the defendant has been arrested on new charges in the same jurisdiction and has been subsequently released on his or her own recognizance;
- Updating and clarifying statutory language, and providing gender-neutral language.

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Fiscal Analysis

HB 1118, as introduced, has no fiscal or revenue considerations for the state.

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Other Considerations

None.