

# ***Bail Reform and Public Safety: What We Know & How to Move Forward***

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# *Looking back....*

**Bail reform passed in 2019 and went into effect in January of 2020.**

Primary Goal: Limit use of cash bail and pretrial detention

- Establishing a presumption of release & least restrictive condition standard
- Limiting offenses that are eligible for bail
- Requiring courts to consider financial hardship
- Establishing non-monetary conditions for all cases, specifically requiring pretrial supervision

# ***Most recently....***

**In May 2023, the statute was amended again.**

- Replaced “least restrictive” condition language
- Limited the Presumption of release limited to bail ineligible offenses (mostly misdemeanors and non-violent felonies)
- Option to combine cash bail with non-monetary conditions
- Mental health and chemical dependence treatment as options for mandatory programming
- Additional *monthly* data reporting requirements
  - Pretrial Jail commitments by demographics, charges, and number of days in pretrial detention.



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