

SENATE BILL No. 264

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 35-33-8-5.

Synopsis: Bail and personal recognizance. Allows a court to: (1) increase the amount of any required bail; (2) deny a request to reduce bail; or (3) revoke bail or an order for release on personal recognizance on the basis that a defendant poses a risk to the physical safety of another person or the community or that a defendant has threatened or intimidated an alleged victim.

Effective: Upon passage.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning criminal law and procedure.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 35-33-8-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
- 2 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 5. (a) Upon a
- 3 showing of good cause, the state or the defendant may be granted an
- 4 alteration or revocation of bail by application to the court before which
- 5 the proceeding is pending. In reviewing a motion for alteration or
- 6 revocation of bail, credible hearsay evidence is admissible to establish
- 7 good cause.
- 8 (b) When the state presents additional:
- 9 (1) evidence relevant to a high risk of nonappearance, based on
- 10 the factors set forth in section 4(b) of this chapter; or
- 11 (2) **clear and convincing evidence:**
- 12 (A) **of the factors described in IC 33-14-10-6(1)(A) and**
- 13 **IC 33-14-10-6(1)(B); or**
- 14 **(B) that the defendant otherwise poses a risk to the**
- 15 **physical safety of another person or the community;**
- 16 the court may increase bail.
- 17 (c) When the defendant presents additional evidence of substantial



1 mitigating factors, based on the factors set forth in section 4(b) of this
 2 chapter, which reasonably suggests that the defendant recognizes the
 3 court's authority to bring him to trial, the court may reduce bail.
 4 **However, the court may not reduce bail if the court finds by clear
 5 and convincing evidence that the factors described in
 6 IC 33-14-10-6(1)(A) and IC 33-14-10-6(1)(B) exist or that the
 7 defendant otherwise poses a risk to the physical safety of another
 8 person or the community.**

9 (d) The court may revoke bail or an order for release on personal
 10 recognizance upon clear and convincing proof by the state that:

11 (1) while admitted to bail the defendant:

12 (1) (A) or his agent threatened or intimidated a victim,
 13 prospective witnesses, or jurors concerning the pending
 14 criminal proceeding or any other matter;

15 (2) (B) or his agent attempted to conceal or destroy evidence
 16 relating to the pending criminal proceeding;

17 (3) (C) violated any condition of his current release order;

18 (4) (D) failed to appear before the court as ordered at any
 19 critical stage of the proceedings; or

20 (5) (E) committed a felony or a Class A misdemeanor that
 21 demonstrates instability and a disdain for the court's authority
 22 to bring him to trial;

23 (2) the factors described in IC 33-14-10-6(1)(A) and
 24 IC 33-14-10-6(1)(B) exist or that the defendant otherwise
 25 poses a risk to the physical safety of another person or the
 26 community; or

27 (3) a combination of the factors described in subdivisions (1)
 28 and (2) exists.

29 SECTION 2. [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE] IC 35-33-8-5, as
 30 amended by this act, applies to proceedings to reduce bail, increase
 31 bail, revoke bail, or revoke an order for release on personal
 32 recognizance that are initiated or pending on and after the date
 33 this act takes effect, even if bail or an order for release on personal
 34 recognizance was issued before the date this act takes effect.

35 SECTION 3. An emergency is declared for this act.

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