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## Indiana Prosecutors Request Withdrawal of Criminal Rule 26

The following is a statement from Indiana Prosecuting Attorneys Council President Dan Murrie, Daviess County Prosecutor, on behalf of Indiana's 91 prosecutors:

"After reviewing the language of Criminal Rule 26, The Indiana Prosecuting Attorney's Council has voted unanimously to object to implementing it and requests that the Supreme Court withdraw the Rule until further research has been completed. We have seen no credible data or research that suggests a systemic pretrial detention 'problem' exists in Indiana."

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**About the Indiana Prosecuting Attorneys Council:** The IPAC is a non-partisan, independent state judicial branch that supports Indiana's 91 prosecuting attorneys and their chief deputies. It is governed by a 10-member board of directors of elected prosecuting attorneys. The IPAC assists prosecuting attorneys in the preparation of manuals, legal research and training seminars. It serves as a liaison to local, state, and federal agencies, study commissions, and community groups in an effort to support law enforcement and promote the fair administration of justice.

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