

SB 5056-S - DIGEST

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Modifies bail and pretrial release practices.

Addresses proof of financial responsibility; bail bond agents; and disclosure of certain health care information.

Requires the state institute for public policy to develop and validate a pretrial risk assessment tool to measure the likelihood that a defendant will fail to appear in court as required.

Requires the administrator for the courts to provide superior courts and courts of limited jurisdiction access to the risk assessment tool.

Requires the center for court research to research, evaluate, monitor, and report on the validity of the risk assessment tool.

Clarifies that public inspection of or access to information related to mental health is subject to chapter 71.05 RCW (mental illness) and not the public records act.

Provides that certain sections of the act are null and void if appropriations are not approved.