

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

SB 48

Relating to pretrial release

To: Ways and Means Full Committee
From: Public Safety Subcommittee
Carrier: Senator Gorsek

SB 48 modifies the current criminal pretrial release process, including removal of minimum bail amounts, and requires Oregon's Chief Justice of the Supreme Court to establish pretrial release guidelines. The guidelines will be applied across the state through release orders issued by a presiding judge. The measure also adds new victim notification requirements.

Select provisions of the measure have an operative date of July 1, 2022; however, the measure allows the Judicial Department to act prior to the operative date.

A budget note directs reporting to the Legislature in 2022 on the measure's implementation and as a prerequisite for supplemental funding.

The Public Safety Subcommittee recommends SB 48 be amended by the –B7 amendment and be reported out do pass, as amended.