



# Judicial Council of California

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### Title

### **Pretrial Release | Year 1 Report to the Legislature, 2023 (Action Required)**

#### Summary

The Budget Act of 2021 (Senate Bill (SB) 129, Skinner, Stats. 2021, ch. 69) allocated \$140 million to the Judicial Council to fund the implementation and operation of ongoing court programs and practices that promote safe, efficient, fair, and timely pretrial release of individuals booked into jail. The Judicial Council is required to submit annual reports on program progress. Criminal Justice Services staff recommend that the Judicial Council approve the *Pretrial Release: Year 1 Report to the Legislature, 2023* and direct the Acting Administrative Director to submit it to the Legislature, as required under SB 129. The report documents the Pretrial Release Program activities of the Judicial Council and the courts in the initial year of the program.

#### Recommendation

Criminal Justice Services staff recommend that the Judicial Council, effective May 12, 2023:

1. Approve *Pretrial Release: Year 1 Report to the Legislature, 2023*; and
2. Direct the Acting Administrative Director to submit this report to the Legislature on or before July 1, 2023, as required by Senate Bill 129.

#### Speakers

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