



Legislation Details (With Text)

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Title: A bill for an ordinance repealing sections of Article II of Chapter 14 of the Denver Revised Municipal Code, concerning a person’s right to a personal recognizance bond.
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Code sections:

Attachments: 1. BR20 1179 CAO PR_bonds Request, 2. BR20 1179 CAO PR_bonds Draft Bill, 3. FINAL_364_CashBail_Conforming_10.28.pdf, 4. 20-1179 Filed Bill_PR Bond Ordinance, 5. 20-1179 Filed Bill_PR Bond Ordinance, 6. 20-1179 - signed, 7. 20-1179 A bill for an ordinance repealing sections of Article II of Chapter 14 of the Denver Revised Municipal Code, concerning a person’s right to a personal recognizance bond

Date	Ver.	Action By	Action	Result
11/19/2020	1	Mayor	signed	
11/16/2020	1	Council President	signed	
11/16/2020	1	City Council	placed upon final consideration and do pass	Pass
11/9/2020	1	City Council	ordered published	
10/28/2020	1	Safety, Housing, Education & Homelessness Committee	approved for filing	Pass

Other/Miscellaneous Request Template (Appointments; ROW; Code Changes; Zoning Action, etc.)

Date Submitted: 10-20-20

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Item Title & Description:

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Affected Council District(s) or citywide? Citywide

Executive Summary with Rationale and Impact:

Detailed description of the item and why we are doing it. This can be a separate attachment.

This code change is required to bring the Denver Revised Municipal Code into conformance with changes made to state statute in 2019. HB19-1225 limits use of cash bail for low level offenses that have no corresponding State offense, effectively allowing greater use of personal recognizance (PR) bonds. PR bonds are used to release someone without need for monetary bail. This builds on previous city reform efforts. Changes have already been implemented in practice and this action would simply clean up the code to match state law.

Address/Location (if applicable):

Legal Description (if applicable):

Denver Revised Municipal Code (D.R.M.C.) Citation (if applicable):

Draft Bill Attached?