STATE OF NEW YORK

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2019-2020 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

November 20, 2019

Introduced by Sen. TEDISCO -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Rules

AN ACT to amend the criminal procedure law, in relation to setting bail for defendants who pose a threat to public safety

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Subdivision 1 of section 510.10 of the criminal procedure law, as amended by section 2 of part JJJ of chapter 59 of the laws of 2019, is amended to read as follows:

1. When a principal, whose future court attendance at a criminal action or proceeding is or may be required, comes under the control of a court, such court shall, in accordance with this title, by a securing 7 order release the principal on the principal's own recognizance, release the principal under non-monetary conditions, or, where authorized, fix bail or commit the principal to the custody of the sheriff. In all such 10 cases, except where another type of securing order is shown to be 11 required by law, the court shall release the principal pending trial on the principal's own recognizance, unless it is demonstrated and the 12 13 court makes an individualized determination that the principal poses a 14 risk of flight to avoid prosecution[- If such a finding is made, the 15 gourt must select the least restrictive alternative and condition or 16 conditions that will reasonably assure the principal's return to court 17 or it is demonstrated and the court makes an individualized determination based on the principal's record of a prior felony conviction, a 18 failure to appear in court or if the principal is arrested during the 19 20 interim period while awaiting a preliminary hearing or trial. The court 21 shall explain its choice of release, release with conditions, bail or 22 remand on the record or in writing.

23 § 2. This act shall take effect on the same date and in the same 24 manner as section 2 of part JJJ of chapter 59 of the laws of 2019, takes 25 effect.

EXPLANATION--Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets
[-] is old law to be omitted.

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