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Introduced by Sen. RHOADS -- 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 authorizing bail for certain felony offenses involving the manufacture, sale, distribution, or possession with intent to sell synthetic opioids

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

Section 1. Paragraph (d) of subdivision 4 of section 510.10 of the criminal procedure law, as amended by section 2 of part UU of chapter 56 of the laws of 2020, is amended to read as follows:

- (d) a class A felony defined in the penal law[provided that for class A felonies under article two hundred twenty of the penal law, only class A-I felonies shall be a qualifying offense];
- § 2. Paragraphs (t) and (u) of subdivision 4 of section 510.10 of the criminal procedure law, paragraph (t) as amended and paragraph (u) as added by section 2 of subpart B of part UU of chapter 56 of the laws of 2022, are amended and a new paragraph (v) is added to read as follows:
- (t) any felony or class A misdemeanor involving harm to an identifi-12 able person or property, or any charge of criminal possession of a firearm as defined in section 265.01-b of the penal law, where such 14 charge arose from conduct occurring while the defendant was released on 15 his or her own recognizance, released under conditions, or had yet to be arraigned after the issuance of a desk appearance ticket for a separate 16 felony or class A misdemeanor involving harm to an identifiable person or property, or any charge of criminal possession of a firearm as 19 defined in section 265.01-b of the penal law, provided, however, that 20 the prosecutor must show reasonable cause to believe that the defendant 21 committed the instant crime and any underlying crime. For the purposes of this subparagraph, any of the underlying crimes need not be a quali-23 fying offense as defined in this subdivision. For the purposes of this 24 paragraph, "harm to an identifiable person or property" shall include

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

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but not be limited to theft of or damage to property. However, based upon a review of the facts alleged in the accusatory instrument, if the court determines that such theft is negligible and does not appear to be in furtherance of other criminal activity, the principal shall be released on his or her own recognizance or under appropriate non-monetary conditions; [ex]

- (u) criminal possession of a weapon in the third degree as defined in subdivision three of section 265.02 of the penal law or criminal sale of a firearm to a minor as defined in section 265.16 of the penal law[-]; <u>or</u>
- any felony offense defined in article two hundred twenty of the penal law, where such offense involves the manufacture, sale, distribution, or possession with intent to sell synthetic opioids, including but not limited to fentanyl, fentanyl analogues, nitazene, and nitazene analogues.
- § 3. Subparagraphs (xx) and (xxi) of paragraph (b) of subdivision 1 of section 530.20 of the criminal procedure law, subparagraph (xx) as amended and subparagraph (xxi) as added by section 4 of subpart C of part UU of chapter 56 of the laws of 2022, are amended and a new subparagraph (xxii) is added to read as follows:
- (xx) any felony or class A misdemeanor involving harm to an identifiable person or property, or any charge of criminal possession of firearm as defined in section 265.01-b of the penal law where such charge arose from conduct occurring while the defendant was released on his or her own recognizance, released under conditions, or had yet to be arraigned after the issuance of a desk appearance ticket for a separate felony or class A misdemeanor involving harm to an identifiable person or property, provided, however, that the prosecutor must show reasonable cause to believe that the defendant committed the instant crime and any underlying crime. For the purposes of this subparagraph, any of the underlying crimes need not be a qualifying offense as defined in this subdivision. For the purposes of this paragraph, "harm to an identifiable person or property" shall include but not be limited to theft of or damage to property. However, based upon a review of the facts alleged in the accusatory instrument, if the court determines that such theft is negligible and does not appear to be in furtherance of other criminal activity, the principal shall be released on his or her own recognizance or under appropriate non-monetary conditions; [ex]
- (xxi) criminal possession of a weapon in the third degree as defined in subdivision three of section 265.02 of the penal law or criminal sale of a firearm to a minor as defined in section 265.16 of the penal law[-]; or
- (xxii) any felony offense defined in article two hundred twenty of the penal law, where such offense involves the manufacture, sale, distribution, or possession with intent to sell synthetic opioids, including but not limited to fentanyl, fentanyl analogues, nitazene, and nitazene analogues.
- § 4. Paragraphs (t) and (u) of subdivision 4 of section 530.40 of the criminal procedure law, paragraph (t) as amended and paragraph (u) as added by section 4 of subpart B of part UU of chapter 56 of the laws of 2022, are amended and a new paragraph (v) is added to read as follows:
- (t) any felony or class A misdemeanor involving harm to an identifiable person or property, or any charge of criminal possession of a firearm as defined in section 265.01-b of the penal law, where such charge arose from conduct occurring while the defendant was released on 55 56 his or her own recognizance, released under conditions, or had yet to be

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1 arraigned after the issuance of a desk appearance ticket for a separate felony or class A misdemeanor involving harm to an identifiable person or property, or any charge of criminal possession of a firearm as defined in section 265.01-b of the penal law, provided, however, that the prosecutor must show reasonable cause to believe that the defendant committed the instant crime and any underlying crime. For the purposes 7 of this subparagraph, any of the underlying crimes need not be a qualifying offense as defined in this subdivision. For the purposes of this 9 paragraph, "harm to an identifiable person or property" shall include 10 but not be limited to theft of or damage to property. However, based upon a review of the facts alleged in the accusatory instrument, if the 12 court determines that such theft is negligible and does not appear to be in furtherance of other criminal activity, the principal shall be 13 14 released on his or her own recognizance or under appropriate non-mone-15 tary conditions; [ex]

- (u) criminal possession of a weapon in the third degree as defined in subdivision three of section 265.02 of the penal law or criminal sale of a firearm to a minor as defined in section 265.16 of the penal law[\pm]; or
- 20 (v) any felony offense defined in article two hundred twenty of the
 21 penal law, where such offense involves the manufacture, sale, distrib22 ution, or possession with intent to sell synthetic opioids, including
 23 but not limited to fentanyl, fentanyl analogues, nitazene, and nitazene
 24 analogues.
- 25 § 5. This act shall take effect immediately

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