

Subject Collecting and making certain data on bail public

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Overview

Under Minnesota law, bail and bonds are directed to be deposited with the court administrator to secure the release of a person. In practice, some jurisdictions permit bail to be deposited at the jail. There are no requirements that people who provide bail also identify themselves. When a person or entity provides a surety instead of cash bail, that person or entity must provide an affidavit with identifying information. This bill requires a person or organization posting bail or a surety to provide identifying information if the individual held in custody is being held for a crime against a person or a crime of violence.

Summary

Section	Description
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1	Arrest data.
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Makes the identity of any person or entity who posted bail or a bond to secure the release of the individual who was held in custody for a crime against a person listed in section 611A.031 or a crime of violence as defined in section 629.725 public data.

2	Providing release on bail; commitment.
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Directs that when money bail is deposited with the court administrator, the court shall notify the agency that has custody of the person that bail has been posted, the amount posted, and if the arrested or detained person is being held in custody for a crime against a person listed in section 611A.031 or a crime of violence as defined in section 629.725, the identity of the person or entity that posted the bail.

3	Sureties on bond, recognizance, or undertaking; affidavit required.
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Requires the court to provide the agency that has custody of a person listed in section 611A.031 or a crime of violence as defined in section 629.725 with a copy of an affidavit attached to the bond, recognizance, or undertaking submitted to secure the release of the person.



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