
DIGEST

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Abstract: Creates the Pretrial Data Collection Act.

Proposed law creates the Pretrial Data Collection Act.

Proposed law provides definitions for "annual felony caseload", "annual misdemeanor caseload", "attorney assignment date", "attorney withdrawal date", "average cost for jail stay", "bail", "case number", "case status", "charge description", "charge modifier", "cited offense", "criminal charge against", "date of arrest", "date of entrance", "demographic information", "disposition", "domestic abuse flag", "gang affiliation flag", "habitual offender flag", "inventory search", "mental health disorder", "offense location", "operational capacity", "pretrial release violation flag", "release date", and "term of sentence".

Proposed law requires municipal police departments, sheriff offices, parish jails and detention facilities, district court clerks, district attorneys, and the office of the state public defender to collect and report specified data to the attorney general.

Proposed law requires the attorney general to publish datasets in its possession in a modern, open, electronic format that is machine-readable and readily accessible by the public on the website of the office of the attorney general.

Proposed law authorizes the attorney general to bring an action against any entity failing to comply with the provisions of proposed law.

Effective January 1, 2025.

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