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SB 87 Reengrossed

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Barrow

Present law requires the clerk of court to send a notice of a warrant for arrest of a person who fails to appear after release on bail to the prosecuting attorney within 60 days of the warrant's issue and to send copies of the notice, by either U.S. mail or electronic means, to the defendant, the bail agent or bondsman, if any, and the personal surety.

Proposed law retains present law and adds the cash depositor who posted the bond to the list of persons the clerk of court is required to send a copy of the notice of arrest warrant. Proposed law also provides that the clerk of court will send the present law notice only to persons who provide the necessary service information in accordance with other present law.

Present law provides that failure of the clerk of court to send the required notice to the commercial surety within 60 days releases the surety from all obligations under the bail undertaking.

Proposed law retains present law and provides that failure of the clerk of court to send the required notice to the cash depositor within 60 days releases the cash depositor from all obligations under the bail undertaking.

Effective August 1, 2025.

(Amends C.Cr.P. Art. 334)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Judiciary C to the original bill

1. Provide that the clerk of court will be required to send notices to persons specified in proposed law only if the clerk of court has the necessary service information.

Senate Floor Amendments to engrossed bill

1. Provide that the clerk of court will only send present law notice to persons that provide service information in accordance with other present law.