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FROM:

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RE:

SB 00-192

Concerning Pretrial Service Program Requirements

DATE:

November 1, 2010

In accordance with SB 00-192 and Section 16-4-105 (3) (e), C.R.S., each pretrial service program is required to provide an annual report to the State Judicial Department no later than November 1 of each year for inclusion in a combined annual report to be presented to the House and Senate Judiciary Committees.

The combined report is to include the following information:

- (1) The number of interviews conducted with defendants
- (2) The number and nature of recommendations made
- (3) The number of defendants under pretrial release supervision who failed to appear; and
- (4) Any additional information the State Judicial Department may request.

The accompanying table represents the combined information provided by pretrial service programs in Adams, Arapahoe, Boulder, Denver, Douglas, Jefferson, Larimer, Mesa, Pueblo and Weld Counties. As can be seen, the different pretrial service programs use varying language to describe recommendations they make to the courts and/or bond status.

This report is an effort to compile information in compliance with SB 00-192; however the Judicial Department has no administrative authority regarding pretrial programs.

Should you have additional questions, please contact Kris Nash, Probation Analyst, Evaluation Unit, Division of Probation Services, (303) 837-3648 or Kris.Nash@judicial.state.co.us.

"Concerning Pre-trial Services Program Requirements" Report to the State Judicial Department July 1, 2009 – June 30, 2010

Weld	Pueblo	Mesa	Larimer**	Jefferson*	Douglas	Denver	Boulder	Arapahoe	Adams	Pre-trial County Location
2,311	1,336	3,178	5,733	4,759	2,509	6,414	4,101	3,640	9,732	Number of Interviews Conducted with Defendants by Pre-trial
0	0	275	1,781	15	903	0	0	1,024	0	None
1,859	18	410	1,271	1,334	293	485	1,125 Recommended 1,384 Ordered	280	5,837	Secured Bond (Cash, property, surety) WITH Supervision
56	566	1,972	67	633	978	5,321	1,228 Recommended 1,491 Ordered	1,802	3,446	Number and Natu Secured Bond WITHOUT Supervision
282	358	206	2,224	267	36	809	146 Recommended 153 Ordered	410	220	Number and Nature of Recommendations Made Secured Bond WITHOUT Supervision Supervision Supervision Supervision Supervision
18	394	315	390	00	266	•	613 Recommended 618 Ordered	124	229	PR Bond WITHOUT Supervision
3,605	NA	2,437	19,872	15,837	6,968	3,760	Data Not Available	4,099	717	Total Number of Court Appearances for Pre-trial Services Defendants
125	7	47	364 1.83% FTA rate	317	39	57	1,943 New PTS cases received 36 FTA	158	49	Number of Defendants Under Pre-trial Release Supervision who Failed to Appear

^{*} Since January 4, 2010, we have changed our Pretrial practices regarding bond recommendations. We no longer make bond amount recommendations. We now inform the court as to whether or not a defendant is statutorily eligible for a personal recognizance bond, as defined by CRS 16-4-105.

^{**} This report asks only for the number and nature of RECOMMENDATIONS made and not for the number and nature of those ORDERED to Pretrial Supervision. The number in the NONE column above indicate those defendants who came in on arrests/warrants with Bond previously set by the Court and/or those for whom bond was modified by the Court; therefore Pretrial did not make a recommendation; however, 1,487 of those cases were ordered to Pretrial Supervision. The numbers in the grid above also do not allow for the actual number of defendants under Pretrial Supervision. For the year ending 6/30/10, Larimer County Pretrial Services provided supervision for a total of 6,590 defendant cases during the twelve month period.