



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 723

LCO No. 1765

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

Introduced by:
SEN. KISSEL, 7th Dist.

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE POSTING OF TEN PER CENT CASH BAIL.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 That section 54-66 of the general statutes be amended to authorize
2 the deposit of a sum of money equal to ten per cent of the bond set for
3 the release of an arrested person, that such deposited amount shall
4 serve as surety for the entire amount, that an attorney who has entered
5 an appearance on behalf of the principal on the bond may file a lien
6 against the amount deposited with the clerk to secure the costs of
7 representation in the matter, that such deposited amount shall be
8 retained by the clerk until a final order of the court, that upon such
9 final order the court shall retain twenty-five per cent of such deposited
10 amount as an administrative fee and shall return the remaining
11 amount to the surety on the bond or lienholder except that, if such
12 bond is forfeited, the clerk shall retain the entire deposited amount,
13 and that a bail bond company or agent thereof shall be prohibited from
14 posting such a ten per cent cash bond.

Statement of Purpose:

To reform the bail bond system.