

RESOLUTION

RULES, ELECTIONS, INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

WHEREAS, any official position of the City of Los Angeles with respect to legislation, rules, regulations or policies proposed to or pending before a local, state or federal governmental body or agency must have first been adopted in the form of a Resolution by the City Council with the concurrence of the Mayor; and

WHEREAS, under current law, an individual arrested and charged with a crime must be granted release on bail, except in certain circumstances when facts are evident or the presumption great that the individual being held committed certain violent crimes; and

WHEREAS, many defendants who have been charged with a crime cannot afford bail, and are held at the county jail while awaiting trial; and

WHEREAS, detaining low and moderate risk defendants, even for just a few days, is correlated with higher rates of new criminal activity by those who have been held, and can have other negative effects; and

WHEREAS, the current, wealth-based system does not promote justice, and results in individuals who can safely be released from custody being held at government expense, until their case is adjudicated; and

WHEREAS, SB 10 (Hertzberg) would reform the current money bail system, enabling defendants without the ability to pay bail to be released from detention before their trial while ensuring that dangerous individuals remain in jail; and

WHEREAS, S. 1593 (Harris - Paul), would encourage states that have money bail systems like California's to institute changes to their systems, through the use of grants and other federal tools;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, with the concurrence of the Mayor, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2017 - 2018 State Legislative Program SUPPORT for SB 10 (Hertzberg), which would revise the pretrial release system to reduce the number of people held on money bail before a court appearance.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, with the concurrence of the Mayor, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2017 - 2018 Federal Legislative Program SUPPORT for S. 1593 (Harris - Paul), the Pretrial Integrity and Safety Act which would encourage states to reform or replace money bail systems.

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