

ALLOW 1/4 SURETY BOND AS BAIL

House Bill 5869

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Committee: Civil Law and the Judiciary

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 5869 AS INTRODUCED 4-9-02

The Code of Criminal Procedure specifies that a person accused of a criminal offense is entitled to bail, and that the amount of bail cannot be excessive. The act also specifies that the amount of bail must be uniform, whether it is executed by the person for whom bail has been set, or by a surety. House Bill 5869 would delete this latter provision. Instead, the bill would specify that, if the court fixed a bail amount as specified under the act, and allowed a 10 percent deposit bond to be posted, then the accused could post bail by a surety bond in an amount equal to 1/4 of the full bail amount, and executed by a surety approved by the court.

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