

119TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

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To prohibit cashless bail in the District of Columbia.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mrs. BLACKBURN introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_

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**A BILL**

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Ending Cashless Bail  
5 in Our Nation’s Capital Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITING CASHLESS BAIL IN THE DISTRICT OF**  
7 **COLUMBIA.**

8 The District of Columbia shall not have in effect a  
9 policy or practice that—

10 (1) fails to allow for cash bail at the highest  
11 level necessary to ensure public safety, as appro-  
12 priate, as a condition of pretrial release for a de-

1        defendant that poses a clear threat to public safety  
2        and order, including—

3                (A) a defendant charged with an offense  
4        involving—

5                (i) a failure to appear;

6                (ii) obstruction of justice;

7                (iii) fleeing from a law enforcement  
8        officer;

9                (iv) rioting or inciting to riot;

10               (v) sexual abuse;

11               (vi) destruction of another's property;

12               (vii) stalking; or

13               (viii) aggravated assault; and

14               (B) a defendant charged with such an of-  
15        fense on multiple occasions; or

16               (2) fails to mandate or impose an automatic  
17        presumption of pretrial detention for all defendants  
18        charged with violent offenses, such as murder, rape,  
19        carjacking, sexual abuse of a minor, robbery, or bur-  
20        glary.