

One Hundred Eighth Legislature - First Session - 2023

Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB338

Chairperson: Senator Justin Wayne

Committee: Judiciary

Date of Hearing: March 16, 2023

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

LB 338 will institute a seven-day grace period for low-level, non-jailable offenses for missed court appearances. This legislation will also require a sentencing court to consider if a non-violent offender is a primary caregiver and explore alternatives. Other elements implemented will include:

- Impose shorter sentences if the length of the mandatory sentence would cause a substantial injustice
- Restrict incarceration for technical violations for parole
- Prohibit suspending licenses for unpaid fees and child support and
- Require prosecutors to bear the burden that someone should be monitored

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Terrell McKinney