



ARIZONA STATE SENATE
Fiftieth Legislature, Second Regular Session

FACT SHEET FOR H.B. 2432

~~secured appearance bond exoneration; remission~~
(NOW: secured appearance bond; exoneration)

Purpose

Modifies statute related to exoneration of appearance bonds.

Background

According to A.R.S. § 13-3974, a surety may be relieved from liability on an appearance bond if the surety surrenders the defendant into the custody of the sheriff of the county in which the prosecution is pending and the sheriff reports the surrender to the court.

There is no anticipated fiscal impact to the state General Fund.

Provisions

1. Permits a court to relieve a surety from liability on the appearance bond upon which the defendant is released at the time the defendant is surrendered if the surety surrenders the defendant into the custody of the sheriff of the county in which the prosecution is pending within 21 days after the defendant's failure to appear and the sheriff reports the surrender to the court.
2. Permits the court to order forfeiture of up to ten percent of the appearance bond or \$1,000, whichever is greater, if the surety surrenders the defendant to the sheriff.
3. Makes technical and conforming changes.
4. Becomes effective on the general effective date.

House Action

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