AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE TO H.R. 2833

Offered by M_.

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

1	SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
2	This Act may be cited as the "Pretrial Release Re-
3	porting Act".
4	SEC. 2. FINDINGS.
5	Congress finds the following:
6	(1) Multiple jurisdictions across the United
7	States—
8	(A) broke annual homicide records in
9	2021; and
10	(B) have reported individuals committing
11	violent felony offenses after being granted bai
12	or pretrial release.
13	(2) The failure of felony defendants to appear
14	for mandatory court appearances and felony bai
15	jumping has increased in multiple jurisdictions
16	across the United States.
17	(3) The most recent report issued by the Bu-
18	reau of Justice Statistics relating to the pretrial re-

1	lease of felony defendants in State courts is from
2	2007.
3	(4) The National Pretrial Reporting Program
4	of the Bureau of Justice Statistics was created to
5	collect information on criminal justice processing of
6	individuals charged with felony offenses in State
7	courts, with particular attention given to pretrial re-
8	lease and detention.
9	(5) In 2020, the National Pretrial Reporting
10	Program of the Bureau of Justice Statistics awarded
11	a grant of \$2,000,000 to collect information relating
12	to individuals charged with felony offenses and re-
13	leased from criminal pretrial detention.
14	(6) Neither the National Pretrial Reporting
15	Program of the Bureau of Justice Statistics nor the
16	Bureau of Justice Statistics has published any infor-
17	mation relating to the pretrial release of felony de-
18	fendants in State courts since the 2020 grant award.
19	SEC. 3. REPORT.
20	(a) In General.—Not later than 180 days after the
21	date of enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter,
22	the Director of Bureau of Justice Statistics shall submit
23	to Congress a report on information relating to individuals

1	are charged with 1 or more of the following violent felony
2	offenses:
3	(1) Murder or attempted murder.
4	(2) Manslaughter, other than involuntary man-
5	slaughter.
6	(3) Rape or attempted rape.
7	(4) Assault with the intent to commit murder.
8	(5) Assault with the intent to commit rape.
9	(6) Aggravated sexual abuse, sexual abuse, at-
10	tempted sexual abuse, or abusive sexual conduct.
11	(7) Battery or aggravated battery.
12	(8) Kidnapping.
13	(9) Robbery.
14	(10) Resisting or obstructing an officer.
15	(11) Carjacking.
16	(12) Recklessly endangering safety.
17	(13) Illegal possession of a firearm in the com-
18	mission of a felony.
19	(14) Any other violent felony offense tracked by
20	the jurisdiction in which the offense is committed.
21	(b) Contents.—The report submitted under sub-
22	section (a) shall include—
23	(1) the number of individuals granted bail or
24	pretrial release from State courts that are charged
25	with an offense described in subsection (a);

1	(2) the number of individuals who, after being
2	granted bail or pretrial release, are rearrested or
3	charged with an additional violent felony offense;
4	(3) the percentage of individuals granted bail or
5	pretrial release from State courts who—
6	(A) are charged with a violent felony of-
7	fense; and
8	(B) have a prior arrest or conviction for a
9	violent felony offense;
10	(4) with respect to the pretrial releases de-
11	scribed in paragraph (2) for which the pretrial re-
12	lease condition was bail, the amount of bail granted
13	for each individual;
14	(5) the number of missed mandatory court ap-
15	pearances by individuals charged with a violent fel-
16	ony offense;
17	(6) the factors used by State courts for assess-
18	ing whether to grant bail or pretrial release to indi-
19	viduals who have prior arrests or prior felony convic-
20	tions for a violent felony offense;
21	(7) with respect to individuals who have com-
22	mitted a violent felony offense after being granted
23	bail or pretrial release, the classification of the vio-
24	lent felony offenses:

1	(8) the status, as of the date of enactment of
2	this Act, of the National Pretrial Reporting Program
3	of the Bureau of Justice Statistics and the activities
4	of that Program; and
5	(9) an accounting for each fiscal year of the
6	amounts that the Department of Justice has ex-
7	pended, or transferred to components of the Depart-
8	ment of Justice, in order to collect information on
9	bail and pretrial release in State courts including,
10	with respect to any grants or contracts awarded for
11	that purpose, the amount and the purpose of the
12	grant or contract.

