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Good morning,

I am reaching out to respectfully express concern regarding the proposed change to CrR 3.2 mandating release for non-violent offenders except under certain special circumstances.

As proposed, the rule removes the current provision of CrR 3.2(a) which clarifies that the term “violent crime” is not limited to the statutory definition found in RCW 9.94A.030. Removing this clarification would deprive judges of any discretion to impose bail for defendants charged with crimes such as:

- Violation of No Contact Order, Domestic Violence (Felony)
- Stalking, Domestic Violence
- Felony Harassment Threats to Kill

None of these offenses are legally classified as “violent.” A defendant charged with one of the above offenses would have to be released, regardless of their violent criminal history or other criminal history involving the same victim (or other victims.) Domestic violence defendants pose a significant risk to the public, witnesses, and their victims. When considering the language of CrR 3.2, please carefully account for the potential consequences and risks to domestic violence victims.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

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