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I support the Proposed Standards for Indigent Defense. As a practicing public defender, these standards are a lifeline for career sustainability. Without them, I will leave the practice. I'm not afraid of working hard, but it is beyond discouraging to know my clients aren't receiving the timely representation they deserve, especially when those clients are being held pretrial in a jail cell by the State of Washington. Please adopt the standards for my clients, but also for me and my colleagues. The community too [who will be better served](#) as a direct result of your actions.