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I write in opposition to the proposed amendments to CrR 3.2 and CrRLJ 3.2. The proposed amendment unnecessarily limits trial court's ability to consider factors that appear routinely.

By limiting subsection (2)(ii), the proposed amendment ignores the subtle, insidious ways that defendants can attempt to influence witnesses not to testify or otherwise alter the course of their cases. Defendants often manipulate and tamper without clear threats or intimidation. Indeed, we often see defendants—particularly domestic violence and sexual assault defendants—use affection and guilt to dissuade victims and witnesses from testifying. From the outside, though, this behavior may seem like no more than a court-order violation. It is imperative that trial courts can continue to consider such behavior when deciding whether a defendant should be released on their personal cognizance.

I encourage you to strongly consider David Martin's letter regarding the potential impacts of this rule amendment.

Respectfully,
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