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I write in opposition to the proposed amendments to CrR 8.3 and CrRLJ 8.3. I have served my community as a prosecutor for 23 years. The proposed amendments represent an unwarranted and unconstitutional usurpation of prosecutorial discretion in favor of the policy preferences of individual judges. As such they would violate the separation of powers enshrined in our State and Federal constitutions if adopted. I join in and adopt in full the objections articulated in comments submitted by Andrea Vitalich, Ann Summers, and Don Raz.

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