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I am writing in opposition to House Bill 5501. The current statute is appropriate for misdemeanor bail. Lessening the requirements for bail on criminal offences erodes confidence in our criminal justice system and takes away from the accountability individuals should have concerning their criminal actions. Many police officers are encountering criminals over and over again, sometimes in the same shift committing these misdemeanor nuisance crimes. The current statutes are appropriate.

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