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119TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

**H. R.** \_\_\_\_\_

To prohibit in the District of Columbia an individual charged with an offense from being released pending trial without executing an unsecured appearance bond.

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**IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

Mr. BIGGS of Arizona introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_

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**A BILL**

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1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3       **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4       This Act may be cited as the “Keep Offenders Off  
5       Our Streets Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITION IN DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA ON RE-**  
2 **LEASE OF INDIVIDUAL CHARGED WITH OF-**  
3 **FENSE PENDING TRIAL WITHOUT EXECUTING**  
4 **A SECURED APPEARANCE BOND.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Council of the District of Co-  
6 lumbia may not enact, and the Mayor of the District of  
7 Columbia may not enforce, any Act, resolution, regulation,  
8 or other requirement which permits an individual charged  
9 with an offense in the District of Columbia who appears  
10 before a judicial officer, as defined in section 23–1331(1),  
11 District of Columbia Official Code, to be released, pending  
12 trial, without such person executing a bail bond with sol-  
13 vent sureties in whatever amount is reasonably necessary  
14 to assure the appearance of the individual as required.

15 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

16 (1) REPEAL OF RELEASE ON PERSONAL RECOG-  
17 NIZANCE.—Section 23–1321 District of Columbia 11  
18 Official Code, is amended—

19 (A) in subsection (a)—

20 (i) by striking subsection (1); and

21 (ii) redesignating subsections (2), (3),  
22 and (4) as subsections (1), (2), and (3),  
23 respectively;

24 (B) by striking subsection (b);

1 (C) by redesignating subsections (c), (d),  
2 and (e) as subsections (b), (c), and (d), respec-  
3 tively;

4 (D) in subsection (b), as so redesignated—  
5 (i) in subsection (1), by striking ev-  
6 erything before “the judicial officer”;

7 (ii) in subsection (A), by striking  
8 “and” after the semicolon;

9 (iii) redesignating subsection (B) as  
10 subsection (C);

11 (iv) after subsection (A), insert the  
12 following:

13 “(B) Execution of a bail bond with solvent  
14 sureties in whatever amount is reasonably nec-  
15 essary to assure the appearance of the person  
16 as required; and”;

17 (iv) in subsection (C), as so redesign-  
18 nated, strike subsection (xii), and redesign-  
19 nate subsection (xiv) as subsection (xiii).

20 (2) INCLUSION OF PROHIBITION IN HOME RULE  
21 ACT.—Section 602(a) of the District of Columbia  
22 Home Rule Act (sec. 1–206.02(a), D.C. Official  
23 Code) is amended—

24 (A) in paragraph (9), by striking “office;  
25 or” and inserting a “office;”;

1 (B) in paragraph (10), by striking the pe-  
2 riod at the end and inserting “; or”; and

3 (C) by adding at the end the following new  
4 paragraph:

5 “(11) enact any act, resolution, regulation or  
6 other requirement which permits a person charged  
7 with an offense in the District of Columbia to be re-  
8 leased, pending trial, without such person executing  
9 an bail bond with solvent sureties in whatever  
10 amount is reasonably necessary to assure the ap-  
11 pearance of the person as required.”.

12 (c) APPLICABILITY.—This Act, and the amendments  
13 made by this Act, shall apply with respect to an individual  
14 charged with an offense in the District of Columbia who  
15 appears before a judicial officer, as defined in section 23–  
16 1331(1), District of Columbia Official Code, before, on,  
17 or after the date of the enactment of this Act.

18 (d) SEVERABILITY.—If, for any reason, any provision  
19 of this Act, or an amendment made by this Act, is held  
20 invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the validity of the  
21 remaining provisions of this Act.