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Dear Judicial Colleague,

The Indiana Supreme Court continues to work with the Executive and Legislative Branches to implement an evidence based pretrial justice system. The goal is to protect public safety and reduce unnecessary pretrial detention. We are grateful for the collaborative work of our state level partners and our eleven pilot sites. In particular, the Court appreciates the Indiana Department of Correction's commitment to assist with funding operations in the pilot counties.

The work of the pilot sites will allow the state to gain valuable insight to inform statewide policies and practices. The Court handed down an order that is consistent with HEA 1137. The <u>order</u> amends the effective date of Sections A and B of Criminal Rule 26 until January 2020. This adjusted timeline allows the Court and its partners to collect outcome data from the pilot sites.

Please feel free to send this information to your constituents along with our appreciation for their work in achieving a safer and healthier Indiana. If you have questions, please direct them to our Chief Administrative Officer Mary Willis at (317) 232-0699 or Mary.Willis@courts.in.gov.

Thank You,

Loretta H. Rush

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