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Bill Analysis

SB 967 provides that the rules of evidence shall not apply to pretrial hearings. The measure also provides the right to counsel and the ability to contest and present evidence for such hearings. The measure requires the court to inform the defendant of the next court date, order the defendant to appear in all hearings, and advise the defendant that if he or she commits a crime while released, a warrant may be issued for his or her arrest. The defendant shall also be advised that he or she can provide 2 telephone numbers for contact purposes. The court shall also determine whether the defendant is a potential flight risk. If the state presents evidence that the defendant is a flight risk, the defendant may contest such evidence. The measure authorizes the court to impose conditions on release. A person may only be detained if the court determines that no condition or combination of conditions of release can reasonably assure the return of the defendant to court. The measure authorizes the partial posting of any bond if the defendant posts at least 10% of the bond amount. The measure provides that a bond may not be modified, revoked, or forfeited without a hearing.

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