

1 AN ACT concerning courts.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Pretrial Services Act is amended by
5 changing Section 25 and adding Section 25.1 as follows:

6 (725 ILCS 185/25) (from Ch. 38, par. 325)

7 Sec. 25. (a) The pretrial services agency ~~shall provide~~
8 ~~written notification to supervised persons of court appearance~~
9 ~~obligations, and~~ may require supervised persons to
10 periodically report their periodic reporting by letter,
11 telephone, or in person personal appearance to verify ~~such~~
12 compliance with court-ordered pretrial release conditions. The
13 pretrial services agency must provide written notification of
14 court appearance obligations to all persons under pretrial
15 services supervision or charged with a felony offense as
16 follows:-

17 (1) The pretrial services agency must provide at least
18 2 text notices to the defendant before each court
19 appearance with one notice the day before the required
20 court appearance.

21 (2) The pretrial services agency must maintain a copy
22 of the content of the message and a delivery receipt as
23 part of its records.

1 (b) This Section does not apply if a pretrial services
2 agency does not have the information needed from a defendant
3 to send a text message notification to the defendant. The
4 pretrial services agency must take all reasonable actions to
5 get the information to send a text notification and to
6 coordinate with law enforcement and the courts in that effort.

7 (Source: P.A. 104-2, eff. 6-16-25.)

8 (725 ILCS 185/25.1 new)

9 Sec. 25.1. Feasibility study of text reminders. In
10 coordination with circuit clerks, the Office of Statewide
11 Pretrial Services must conduct a study of the feasibility of
12 sending automated text message reminders of court appearance
13 obligations to all persons charged with a criminal offense.
14 The Office of Statewide Pretrial Services must provide an
15 update on the feasibility study required by this Section no
16 later than December 31, 2026.