## **DIGEST**

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**Abstract:** Decreases the time period within which an indictment or bill of information shall be filed when the defendant is continued in custody subsequent to an arrest from 60 days to 14 days for felonies and from 45 days to 7 days for misdemeanors.

<u>Present law</u> provides that when the defendant is continued in custody subsequent to an arrest, an indictment or bill of information shall be filed within 45 days of the arrest if the defendant is being held for a misdemeanor and within 60 days of the arrest if the defendant is being held for a felony.

<u>Proposed law</u> amends <u>present law</u> to decrease the time period within which an indictment or bill of information shall be filed when the defendant is continued in custody subsequent to an arrest from 60 days to 14 days for felonies and from 45 days to 7 days for misdemeanors.

(Amends C.Cr.P. Art. 701(B)(1)(a))