

Existing law provides for the setting of bail by the court in criminal cases.

New law further provides that in cases where the district attorney dismisses an indictment or information and institutes a subsequent indictment or information for the same offense or for a lesser offense based on the same facts, the court shall reinstate any bail discharged when the district attorney dismissed the initial indictment or information if the surety consents to the reinstatement expressly and in writing.

New law authorizes the Orleans Parish district judges with criminal jurisdiction sitting en banc to adopt rules effectuating telephonic communication and verification of bonds and releases.

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(Adds C.Cr.P. Art. 334.4)