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Auburn Watersong Written Testimony on S.134:

In the event that I am not able to attend your committee for the hearing on S.134, I wanted to be sure to let you know that the Network has reviewed the language which Willa Farrell will be presenting for S.134 (below) – and we do agree to this addition. We support passage of S.134 with this language included:

§ 7554c. PRETRIAL RISK ASSESSMENTS; NEEDS SCREENINGS (a)(1) The objective of a pretrial risk assessment is to provide information to the court for the purpose of determining whether a person presents a risk of nonappearance or a threat to public safety so the court can make an appropriate order concerning bail and conditions of pretrial release. The assessment shall not assess victim safety and the assessment shall not assess risk of lethality in domestic assaults.