



# COMMITTEE REPORT

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## MR. PRESIDENT:

The Senate Committee on Corrections and Criminal Law, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 9, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill be AMENDED as follows:

- 1           Page 2, line 5, after "disruption." insert "**However, this section does**
- 2           **not prohibit a court from sentencing a defendant who is absent**
- 3           **from the courtroom if the defendant was tried in absentia or if the**
- 4           **defendant fails to appear."**
- 5           Page 2, line 26, after "disruption." insert "**However, this section**
- 6           **does not prohibit a court from sentencing a defendant who is**
- 7           **absent from the courtroom if the defendant was tried in absentia**
- 8           **or if the defendant fails to appear."**
- 9           Page 2, line 34, delete "defendant presents a safety risk or causes a
- 10          significant" and insert "**defendant:**
- 11               **(1) presents a safety risk;**
- 12               **(2) causes a significant disruption;**

- 1           **(3) was tried in absentia; or**
- 2           **(4) failed to appear."**
- 3           Page 2, delete line 35.  
            (Reference is to SB 9 as introduced.)

**and when so amended that said bill do pass .**

Committee Vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0.

**Senator Freeman, Chairperson**