



# Judges Set Consistent Bail Amounts in All Local Courts

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Reno, NV-- (KRNV and mynews4.com)-- A Judicial Effectiveness Committee has set the county's first unified bail schedule, making bail amounts consistent between Reno, Sparks and Washoe County municipal and justice courts.

In the past, bail amounts varied between agencies and courts, forcing law enforcement officers and jail personnel to scramble for accurate information while booking offenders into jail. The new bail schedule now sets uniform bail amounts between courts and jurisdictions, simplifying and clarifying the process.

"This is the first time a unified bail schedule has been set in Washoe County," said Judge Connie Steinheimer. "And it's just two pages long: one for felonies and one for misdemeanors."

Judges will always be able to raise bail amounts in aggravated cases or special circumstances. Suspects may appear before judges to ask for a lowering of their bail, pending further court appearances.