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nency. The judicial authority shall also determine whether the Commissioner of the Department of Children and Families has made reasonable efforts to achieve the permanency plan.]

COMMENTARY: The repeal of this section is in conformity with the provisions of No. 18-31 of the 2018 Public Acts.

## AMENDMENTS TO THE CRIMINAL RULES

## Sec. 38-8. Ten Percent Cash Bail

Unless otherwise ordered by the judicial authority, 10 percent cash bail shall be automatically available for surety bonds not exceeding \$20,000. For surety bond amounts exceeding \$20,000, 10 percent cash bail may be granted pursuant to an order of the judicial authority. This 10 percent option applies to bonds set by court as well as bonds set at the police department.

When 10 percent cash bail is [granted] <u>authorized either automati-</u> <u>cally or pursuant to court order</u>, upon the depositing in cash, by the defendant or any person in his or her behalf other than a paid surety, of 10 percent of the surety bond set, the defendant shall thereupon be admitted to bail in the same manner as a defendant who has executed a bond for the full amount. If such bond is forfeited, the defendant shall be liable for the full amount of the bond. Upon discharge of the bond, the 10 percent cash deposit made with the clerk shall be returned to the person depositing the same, less any fee that may be required by statute. COMMENTARY: The change to this section will allow for 10 percent cash bail to be automatically available for surety bonds under \$20,000, both at court and at the police department.

## Sec. 42-5. –Disqualification of Jurors and Selection of Panel

A person shall be disqualified to serve as a juror if such person is found by the judicial authority to exhibit any quality which will impair that person's capacity to serve as a juror, except that no person shall be disqualified on the basis of deafness or <u>being hard of hearing</u> [impairment]. The clerk shall keep a list of all persons disqualified under this section and shall send a copy of that list to the jury administrator at such time as the jury administrator may direct. The clerk of the court, in impaneling the jury for the trial of each cause, shall, when more jurors are in attendance than are required for the panel, designate by lot those who shall compose the panel.

COMMENTARY: The changes to this section conform it to the provisions of No. 17-202 of the 2017 Public Acts.

## Sec. 42-10. Selection of Jury; [Deaf or Hearing Impaired] Jurors Who Are Deaf or Hard of Hearing

At the request of a [deaf or hearing impaired] juror who is deaf or hard of hearing or at the request of the judicial authority, an interpreter or interpreters provided by the [Commission on the Deaf and Hearing Impaired] Judicial Branch and qualified under General Statutes § 46a-33a shall assist such juror during the juror orientation program and all subsequent proceedings, and when the jury assembles for deliberation.