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S. 4891

To require defendants indicted for certain crimes relating to fraud to surrender their passports as a condition of pretrial release, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JUNE 24, 2026

Ms. ERNST introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Preventing Fugitive
5 Fraudsters Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. CONDITIONS FOR RELEASE FOR CERTAIN INDICT-**
7 **MENTS.**

8 Section 3142(c)(1)(B) of title 18, United States
9 Code, is amended—

1 (1) in clause (xiii), by striking “and” at the
2 end;

3 (2) by redesignating clause (xiv) as clause (xv);
4 and

5 (3) by inserting after clause (xiii) the following:

6 “(xiv) in the case of an indictment
7 under section 666, 1343, 1956, or 1957,
8 surrender any passport or passport card
9 belonging to the person and abstain from
10 international travel, unless a judicial offi-
11 cer issues specific written findings of fact
12 that the surrender of the passport or pass-
13 port card or the prohibition on travel is
14 unnecessary to assure the appearance of
15 the person; and”.

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