House Bill 2132

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SUMMARY

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Provides that defendant must be substantially prejudiced by delay before court may dismiss accusatory instrument due to violation of speedy trial requirement.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

2 Relating to criminal procedure; creating new provisions; and amending ORS 135.747.

3 Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

4 **SECTION 1.** ORS 135.747 is amended to read:

5 135.747. (1) If a defendant charged with a crime[, whose trial has not been postponed upon the

6 application of the defendant or by the consent of the defendant,] is not brought to trial within a rea-

7 sonable period of time, the court shall order the accusatory instrument to be dismissed[.] if:

8 (a) The trial has not been postponed upon the application of the defendant or by the 9 consent of the defendant;

10 (b) The defendant has not willfully failed to appear at any point in the proceedings; and

11 (c) The defendant demonstrates that the defendant has been substantially prejudiced by

12 the delay.

(2) Delay caused by a lack of judicial resources, such as the unavailability of a judge, may
not be charged to either party for purposes of this section.

15 <u>SECTION 2.</u> The amendments to ORS 135.747 by section 1 of this 2007 Act apply to of-16 fenses committed on or after the effective date of this 2007 Act.

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