

# House Bill 2741

Sponsored by Representative BARKER

## SUMMARY

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Grants district attorney authority to investigate physical injuries that occur under suspicious or unknown circumstances. Expands types of physical injuries that medical examiner may investigate.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to investigation by district attorney of physical injury; amending ORS 146.710 and 146.730.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** ORS 146.710 is amended to read:

5 146.710. As used in ORS 146.710 to 146.780, "injury" means:

6 (1) A physical injury caused by a knife, gun, pistol or other **dangerous or** deadly weapon[.];

7 **or**

8 **(2) A serious physical injury.**

9 **SECTION 2.** ORS 146.730 is amended to read:

10 146.730. [*An investigation of an injury may be made by*] A medical examiner **or district attorney**  
11 **may investigate an injury** whenever the injury occurred under suspicious or unknown circum-  
12 stances. All authority granted to the medical examiner **or district attorney** by ORS 146.003 to  
13 146.165 and 146.710 to 146.992 may be exercised in making such investigation.  
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**NOTE:** Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.