Senate Bill 42

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SUMMARY

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Modifies time period within which motion for new trial must be filed following receipt of exculpatory DNA test results.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

2 Relating to DNA testing; creating new provisions; and amending ORS 138.696.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** ORS 138.696 is amended to read:

5 138.696. (1) If DNA (deoxyribonucleic acid) testing ordered under ORS 138.692 produces incon-

6 clusive evidence or evidence that is unfavorable to the person requesting the testing:

7 (a) The court shall forward the results to the State Board of Parole and Post-Prison Supervision;
8 and

9 (b) The Department of State Police shall compare the evidence to DNA evidence from unsolved 10 crimes in the Combined DNA Index System.

(2) If DNA testing ordered under ORS 138.692 produces exculpatory evidence, the person who requested the testing may file in the court that ordered the testing a motion for a new trial based on newly discovered evidence. Notwithstanding the time limit established in ORCP 64 F, a person may file a motion under this subsection at any time during the [60-day] **75-day** period that begins on the date the person receives the test results.

16 (3) Upon receipt of a motion filed under subsection (2) of this section and notwithstanding the 17 time limits in ORCP 64 F, the court shall hear the motion.

18 <u>SECTION 2.</u> The amendments to ORS 138.696 by section 1 of this 2013 Act apply to DNA
19 tests ordered on or after the effective date of this 2013 Act.

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