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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 3206

1 On <u>page 1</u> of the printed bill, delete lines 5 through 29 and delete <u>page</u> 2 <u>2</u> and insert:

3 "SECTION 1. ORS 138.690 is amended to read:

"138.690. A person may file in the circuit court in which the judgment of
conviction was entered a motion requesting the performance of DNA
(deoxyribonucleic acid) testing on specific evidence if the person[:]

"[(1) Is incarcerated in a Department of Corrections institution as the result
of a conviction for aggravated murder or a person felony as defined in the
rules of the Oregon Criminal Justice Commission; or]

"[(2) Is not in custody but has been convicted of aggravated murder, murder
 or a sex crime as defined in ORS 181.805] has been convicted of aggravated
 murder or a felony in which DNA evidence could exist and is relevant
 to establishing an element of the offense.

14 "SECTION 2. ORS 138.692 is amended to read:

"138.692. (1)(a) When a person files a motion under ORS 138.690 request ing the performance of DNA (deoxyribonucleic acid) testing on [*specified*]
 evidence, the motion must be supported by an affidavit. The affidavit must:

"[(A)(i)] (A) [For a person described in ORS 138.690 (1),] Contain a statement that the person is innocent of the offense for which the person was convicted; [or of the conduct underlying any mandatory sentence enhancement; or]

22 "[(ii) For a person described in ORS 138.690 (2), contain a statement that

1 the person is innocent of the offense for which the person was convicted;]

"(B) Identify the [specific] evidence to be tested with as much specificity as is reasonably practicable and a theory of defense that the DNA testing would support. The [specific] evidence must have been secured in connection with the prosecution, including the investigation, that resulted in the conviction of the person; and

"(C) Include the results of any previous DNA test of the evidence if a
previous DNA test was conducted by either the prosecution or the defense.

9 "(b) Consistent with the statement of innocence described in sub-10 paragraph (a)(A) of this subsection, the person must present a prima facie 11 showing that DNA testing of the [specified] evidence would, assuming 12 exculpatory results, [establish the actual innocence of the person of:]

13 "[(A) The offense for which the person was convicted; or]

"[(B) Conduct, if the exoneration of the person of the conduct would result in a mandatory reduction in the person's sentence] lead to a finding that the person is actually innocent of the offense for which the person was convicted.

"(2) The state shall answer the motion requesting the performance
 of DNA testing and may refute the basis for the motion.

"(3) Upon the motion of a party or the court's own motion, the court may allow the testimony of witnesses if the testimony will assist the court in making its determination to grant or deny the motion requesting the performance of DNA testing. The court may not allow testimony from the victim of the offense without the consent of the victim.

²⁶ "[(2)] (4) The court shall order the DNA testing requested in a motion ²⁷ under subsection (1) of this section if the court finds that:

28 "(a) The requirements of subsection (1) of this section have been met;

"(b) Unless the parties stipulate otherwise, the evidence to be tested [is in the possession of a city, county, state or the court and] has been subject to a chain of custody sufficient to establish that the evidence has not been altered in any material aspect;

"(c) The motion is made [*in a timely manner and*] for the purpose of demonstrating the innocence of the person of the offense or of the conduct and not to delay the execution of the sentence or administration of justice; and

"(d) There is a reasonable possibility, assuming exculpatory results,
that the testing [will produce exculpatory evidence that would establish the
innocence of the person of:]

10 "[(A) The offense for which the person was convicted; or]

"[(B) Conduct, if the exoneration of the person of the conduct would result in a mandatory reduction in the person's sentence] would lead to a finding that the person is actually innocent of the offense for which the person was convicted.

"[(3)] (5) In granting a motion under this section, the court may impose reasonable conditions designed to protect the interests of the state in the integrity of the evidence and the testing process.

"[(4)] (6) Unless both parties agree or the court finds compelling circumstances otherwise, the court shall order the Department of State Police to conduct the DNA testing. The court may order a second test upon a showing that the state police failed to follow appropriate DNA protocols and that failure reasonably affected the accuracy of the DNA test.

"[(5)] (7) The costs of DNA tests ordered under this section must be paid
by:

"(a) The person making the motion for DNA testing if the person is not
incarcerated or, if the person is incarcerated, if the person is financially able
to pay; or

"(b) The state if counsel at state expense has been appointed under ORS138.694.

30 "[(6)] (8) The [results of a DNA test ordered under this section must be

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2 the results of the test to the person filing the motion and to the state.

"[(7)] (9) Notwithstanding the fact that an appeal of the conviction or a 3 petition for post-conviction relief in the underlying case is pending at the 4 time a motion is filed under ORS 138.690, the circuit court shall consider the $\mathbf{5}$ motion. If the court grants the motion, the court shall notify the court con-6 sidering the appeal or post-conviction petition of that fact. When a court 7 receives notice under this subsection, the court shall stay the appeal or 8 post-conviction proceedings pending the outcome of the motion filed under 9 ORS 138.690 and any further proceedings resulting from the motion. 10

"(10) The court shall make findings when issuing an order under this section.".

13 On page 3, delete lines 1 through 4.

14 In line 15, delete "or of the conduct".

¹⁵ In line 16, delete "that resulted in a mandatory sentence enhancement".

16 In line 26, restore the bracketed material.

On page 4, line 3, restore the bracketed material and delete the boldfaced material and insert "pursuant to ORCP 64".

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