SENATE AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 975

By COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

April 22

1	Delete lines 4 through 9 of the printed bill and insert:
2	"SECTION 1. (1) Notwithstanding ORS 161.525, a person by motion may request the court
3	to reduce the offense classification of a marijuana conviction under this section if the person
4	was convicted of a marijuana offense that, since entry of judgment of conviction, has been:
5	"(a) Reduced from a felony to a misdemeanor;
6	"(b) Reduced from a higher level felony to a lower level felony;
7	"(c) Reduced from a higher level misdemeanor to a lower level misdemeanor; or
8	"(d) Reduced from a crime to a violation.
9	"(2) A person filing a motion under this section is not required to pay the filing fee es-
10	tablished under ORS 21.135 or any other fee or to file a set of fingerprints.
11	"(3)(a) At the time of filing the motion, the person shall serve a copy of the motion upon
12	the office of the prosecuting attorney of the jurisdiction in which the judgment of conviction
13	was entered.
14	"(b) The prosecuting attorney, within 30 days after the filing of the motion under para-
15	graph (a) of this subsection, may file an objection to granting the motion only on the basis
16	that the person's conviction is not eligible for reduction under this section.
17	"(c) If no objection from the prosecuting attorney is received by the court within 30 days
18	after the filing of the motion, the court shall grant the motion and enter an order as de-
19	scribed in subsection (5) of this section.
20	"(4) If the court receives an objection from the prosecuting attorney, the court shall hold
21	a hearing to determine whether the person's conviction is not eligible for reduction under
22	this section. The person has the burden of establishing, by a preponderance of the evidence,
23	that since the entry of judgment of the conviction, the offense classification has been re-
24	duced to a lower-level offense. If the court determines that the conviction is eligible for re-
25	duction under this section, the court shall grant the motion and enter an order as provided
26	in subsection (5) of this section.
27	"(5) Upon granting a motion under this section, the court shall vacate the original judg-
28	ment of conviction and enter a new judgment of conviction at the appropriate offense

level.".

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