

Senate Bill 43

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SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Authorizes appellate court to review jury instructions for plain error despite failure of party to object with particularity.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to jury instructions; creating new provisions; amending ORS 136.330; and declaring an
3 emergency.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** ORS 136.330 is amended to read:

6 136.330. (1) ORS 10.100 and ORCP 58 B, C and D and 59 B through F and G(1), (3), (4) and (5),
7 apply to and regulate the conduct of the trial of criminal actions. The jury in a criminal action may,
8 in the discretion of the court, be polled in writing. If the jury is polled in writing, the written re-
9 sults shall be sealed and placed in the court record.

10 (2) ORCP 59 H applies to and regulates exceptions in criminal actions, **except that an appel-**
11 **late court may take notice of plain errors affecting substantial rights that were not brought**
12 **to the attention of the trial court.**

13 **SECTION 2.** The amendments to ORS 136.330 by section 1 of this 2013 Act apply to
14 criminal actions in which a notice of appeal is filed on or after the effective date of this 2013
15 Act.

16 **SECTION 3.** This 2013 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public
17 peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2013 Act takes effect
18 on its passage.
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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.