

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

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<b>Action:</b>	Do Pass
<b>Vote:</b>	9 - 0 - 0
<b>Yeas:</b>	Barker, Bonamici, Cameron, Flores, Komp, Krieger, Read, Whisnant, Macpherson
<b>Nays:</b>	0
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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Delineates responsibilities of Board on Public Safety Standards and Training (the “Board”) and Department of Public Safety Standards and Training (“DPSST”) relating to regulation of investigators.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Approximately 700-750 private investigators in Oregon who are licensed
- Unlicensed investigators may practice lawfully in certain circumstances (generally when they work for only one client)
- No national certification for investigators
- Investigators in Oregon have some degree of reciprocity with California and Louisiana
- Investigators have a continuing education component for licensing

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:** No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:** ORS 703.401 to ORS 703.490 discusses rules relating to investigators, including licensing, conduct requirements, discipline, etc. ORS 703.480 requires DPSST to adopt rules to enforce these provisions and, in conjunction with the Private Security Policy Committee (PSPC), to collect fees, adopt and administer competency tests, formulate an ethics code, establish a website and provide professional development opportunities.

SB 169 A modifies these statutes primarily by specifying that the Board (rather than DPSST), in conjunction with PSPC, shall now: (1) establish minimum standards of fitness for investigators; (2) adopt a competency test; (3) establish rules of professional conduct; and (4) specify what convictions for crimes or violations result in suspension for investigators. DPSST retains the authority to: (1) investigate violations; (2) create a website; (3) provide for professional development of investigators; and (4) collect fees.

The remaining provisions of SB 169 A merely apply the appropriate terminology (*i.e.*, replace “department” with “board”) in other statutory provisions.