

# Senate Bill 304

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## SUMMARY

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Defines "securities account" for purposes of secured transactions statutes.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

1  
2 Relating to definitions for secured transactions; amending ORS 79.0102.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** ORS 79.0102 is amended to read:

5 79.0102. (1) As used in this chapter:

6 (a) "Accession" means goods that are physically united with other goods in such a manner that  
7 the identity of the original goods is not lost.

8 (b) "Account," except as used in "account for," means a right to payment of a monetary obli-  
9 gation, whether or not earned by performance, (i) for property that has been or is to be sold, leased,  
10 licensed, assigned, or otherwise disposed of, (ii) for services rendered or to be rendered, (iii) for a  
11 policy of insurance issued or to be issued, (iv) for a secondary obligation incurred or to be incurred,  
12 (v) for energy provided or to be provided, (vi) for the use or hire of a vessel under a charter or other  
13 contract, (vii) arising out of the use of a credit or charge card or information contained on or for  
14 use with the card, or (viii) as winnings in a lottery or other game of chance operated or sponsored  
15 by a state, governmental unit of a state, or person licensed or authorized to operate the game by a  
16 state or governmental unit of a state. The term includes health-care-insurance receivables. The term  
17 does not include (i) rights to payment evidenced by chattel paper or an instrument, (ii) commercial  
18 tort claims, (iii) deposit accounts, (iv) investment property, (v) letter-of-credit rights or letters of  
19 credit, or (vi) rights to payment for money or funds advanced or sold, other than rights arising out  
20 of the use of a credit or charge card or information contained on or for use with the card.

21 (c) "Account debtor" means a person obligated on an account, chattel paper or general intan-  
22 gible. The term does not include persons obligated to pay a negotiable instrument, even if the in-  
23 strument constitutes part of chattel paper.

24 (d) "Accounting," except as used in "accounting for," means a record:

25 (A) Authenticated by a secured party;

26 (B) Indicating the aggregate unpaid secured obligations as of a date not more than 35 days  
27 earlier or 35 days later than the date of the record; and

28 (C) Identifying the components of the obligations in reasonable detail.

29 (e) "Agricultural lien" means an interest, other than a security interest or a lien created under  
30 ORS 87.226, 87.228, 87.700 to 87.736 or 87.750 to 87.777, in farm products:

31 (A) Which secures payment or performance of an obligation for:

**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.

- 1 (i) Goods or services furnished in connection with a debtor’s farming operation; or
- 2 (ii) Rent on real property leased by a debtor in connection with its farming operation;
- 3 (B) Which is created by statute in favor of a person that:
  - 4 (i) In the ordinary course of its business furnished goods or services to a debtor in connection
  - 5 with a debtor’s farming operation; or
  - 6 (ii) Leased real property to a debtor in connection with the debtor’s farming operation; and
- 7 (C) Whose effectiveness does not depend on the person’s possession of the personal property.
- 8 (f) “As-extracted collateral” means:
  - 9 (A) Oil, gas or other minerals that are subject to a security interest that:
    - 10 (i) Is created by a debtor having an interest in the minerals before extraction; and
    - 11 (ii) Attaches to the minerals as extracted; or
  - 12 (B) Accounts arising out of the sale at the wellhead or minehead of oil, gas or other minerals
  - 13 in which the debtor had an interest before extraction.
- 14 (g) “Authenticate” means:
  - 15 (A) To sign; or
  - 16 (B) To execute or otherwise adopt a symbol, or encrypt or similarly process a record in whole
  - 17 or in part, with the present intent of the authenticating person to identify the person and adopt or
  - 18 accept a record.
- 19 (h) “Bank” means an organization that is engaged in the business of banking. The term includes
- 20 savings banks, savings and loan associations, credit unions and trust companies.
- 21 (i) “Cash proceeds” means proceeds that are money, checks, deposit accounts or the like.
- 22 (j) “Certificate of title” means a certificate of title with respect to which a statute provides for
- 23 the security interest in question to be indicated on the certificate as a condition or result of the
- 24 security interest’s obtaining priority over the rights of a lien creditor with respect to the collateral.
- 25 (k) “Chattel paper” means a record or records that evidence both a monetary obligation and a
- 26 security interest in specific goods, a security interest in specific goods and software used in the
- 27 goods, a security interest in specific goods and license of software used in the goods, a lease of
- 28 specific goods, or a lease of specific goods and license of software used in the goods. In this para-
- 29 graph, “monetary obligation” means a monetary obligation secured by the goods or owed under a
- 30 lease of the goods and includes a monetary obligation with respect to software used in the goods.
- 31 The term does not include (i) charters or other contracts involving the use or hire of a vessel or (ii)
- 32 records that evidence a right to payment arising out of the use of a credit or charge card or infor-
- 33 mation contained on or for use with the card. If a transaction is evidenced by records that include
- 34 an instrument or series of instruments, the group of records taken together constitutes chattel pa-
- 35 per.
- 36 (L) “Collateral” means the property subject to a security interest or agricultural lien. The term
- 37 includes:
  - 38 (A) Proceeds to which a security interest attaches;
  - 39 (B) Accounts, chattel paper, payment intangibles and promissory notes that have been sold; and
  - 40 (C) Goods that are the subject of a consignment.
- 41 (m) “Commercial tort claim” means a claim arising in tort with respect to which:
  - 42 (A) The claimant is an organization; or
  - 43 (B) The claimant is an individual and the claim:
    - 44 (i) Arose in the course of the claimant’s business or profession; and
    - 45 (ii) Does not include damages arising out of personal injury to or the death of an individual.

1 (n) "Commodity account" means an account maintained by a commodity intermediary in which  
2 a commodity contract is carried for a commodity customer.

3 (o) "Commodity contract" means a commodity futures contract, an option on a commodity fu-  
4 tures contract, a commodity option or another contract if the contract or option is:

5 (A) Traded on or subject to the rules of a board of trade that has been designated as a contract  
6 market for such a contract pursuant to federal commodities laws; or

7 (B) Traded on a foreign commodity board of trade, exchange, or market, and is carried on the  
8 books of a commodity intermediary for a commodity customer.

9 (p) "Commodity customer" means a person for which a commodity intermediary carries a com-  
10modity contract on its books.

11 (q) "Commodity intermediary" means a person that:

12 (A) Is registered as a futures commission merchant under federal commodities law; or

13 (B) In the ordinary course of its business provides clearance or settlement services for a board  
14 of trade that has been designated as a contract market pursuant to federal commodities law.

15 (r) "Communicate" means:

16 (A) To send a written or other tangible record;

17 (B) To transmit a record by any means agreed upon by the persons sending and receiving the  
18 record; or

19 (C) In the case of transmission of a record to or by a filing office, to transmit a record by any  
20 means prescribed by filing-office rule.

21 (s) "Consignee" means a merchant to which goods are delivered in a consignment.

22 (t) "Consignment" means a transaction, regardless of its form, in which a person delivers goods  
23 to a merchant for the purpose of sale and:

24 (A) The merchant:

25 (i) Deals in goods of that kind under a name other than the name of the person making delivery;

26 (ii) Is not an auctioneer; and

27 (iii) Is not generally known by its creditors to be substantially engaged in selling the goods of  
28 others;

29 (B) With respect to each delivery, the aggregate value of the goods is \$1,000 or more at the time  
30 of delivery;

31 (C) The goods are not consumer goods immediately before delivery; and

32 (D) The transaction does not create a security interest that secures an obligation.

33 (u) "Consignor" means a person that delivers goods to a consignee in a consignment.

34 (v) "Consumer debtor" means a debtor in a consumer transaction.

35 (w) "Consumer goods" means goods that are used or bought for use primarily for personal,  
36 family or household purposes.

37 (x) "Consumer-goods transaction" means a consumer transaction in which:

38 (A) An individual incurs an obligation primarily for personal, family or household purposes; and

39 (B) A security interest in consumer goods secures the obligation.

40 (y) "Consumer obligor" means an obligor who is an individual and who incurred the obligation  
41 as part of a transaction entered into primarily for personal, family or household purposes.

42 (z) "Consumer transaction" means a transaction in which (i) an individual incurs an obligation  
43 primarily for personal, family or household purposes, (ii) a security interest secures the obligation,  
44 and (iii) the collateral is held or acquired primarily for personal, family or household purposes. The  
45 term includes consumer-goods transactions.

- 1 (aa) "Continuation statement" means an amendment of a financing statement which:  
2 (A) Identifies, by its file number, the initial financing statement to which it relates; and  
3 (B) Indicates that it is a continuation statement for, or that it is filed to continue the effec-  
4 tiveness of, the identified financing statement.
- 5 (bb) "Debtor" means:  
6 (A) A person having an interest, other than a security interest or other lien, in the collateral,  
7 whether or not the person is an obligor;  
8 (B) A seller of accounts, chattel paper, payment intangibles or promissory notes; or  
9 (C) A consignee.
- 10 (cc) "Deposit account" means a demand, time, savings, passbook or similar account maintained  
11 with a bank. The term does not include investment property or accounts evidenced by an instrument.
- 12 (dd) "Document" means a document of title or a receipt of the type described in ORS 77.2010  
13 (2).
- 14 (ee) "Electronic chattel paper" means chattel paper evidenced by a record or records consisting  
15 of information stored in an electronic medium.
- 16 (ff) "Encumbrance" means a right, other than an ownership interest, in real property. The term  
17 includes mortgages and other liens on real property.
- 18 (gg) "Equipment" means goods other than inventory, farm products or consumer goods.
- 19 (hh) "Farm products" means goods, other than standing timber, with respect to which the debtor  
20 is engaged in a farming operation and which are:  
21 (A) Crops grown, growing, or to be grown, including:  
22 (i) Crops produced on trees, vines and bushes; and  
23 (ii) Aquatic goods produced in aquacultural operations;  
24 (B) Livestock, born or unborn, including aquatic goods produced in aquacultural operations;  
25 (C) Supplies used or produced in a farming operation; or  
26 (D) Products of crops or livestock in their unmanufactured states.  
27 (ii) "Farming operation" means raising, cultivating, propagating, fattening, grazing or any other  
28 farming, livestock or aquacultural operation.
- 29 (jj) "File number" means the number assigned to an initial financing statement pursuant to ORS  
30 79.0519 (1).
- 31 (kk) "Filing office" means an office designated in ORS 79.0501 as the place to file a financing  
32 statement.
- 33 (LL) "Filing-office rule" means a rule adopted pursuant to ORS 79.0526.
- 34 (mm) "Financing statement" means a record or records composed of an initial financing state-  
35 ment and any filed record relating to the initial financing statement.
- 36 (nn) "Fixture filing" means the filing of a financing statement covering goods that are or are to  
37 become fixtures and satisfying ORS 79.0502 (1) and (2). The term includes the filing of a financing  
38 statement covering goods of a transmitting utility which are or are to become fixtures.
- 39 (oo) "Fixtures" means goods that have become so related to particular real property that an  
40 interest in them arises under real property law. The term does not include portable irrigation  
41 equipment including movable pipe, pumps, electrical pump panels, pump columns, electrical wire,  
42 wheel lines, center pivots and handlines. The term includes domestic pumps, domestic pump wire,  
43 domestic pump panels, domestic pump columns, and buried irrigation equipment including buried  
44 pipe, buried electrical wire and all buried well casings.
- 45 (pp) "General intangible" means any personal property, including things in action, other than

1 accounts, chattel paper, commercial tort claims, deposit accounts, documents, goods, instruments,  
2 investment property, letter-of-credit rights, letters of credit, money and oil, gas or other minerals  
3 before extraction. The term includes payment intangibles and software.

4 (qq) "Good faith" means honesty in fact and the observance of reasonable commercial standards  
5 of fair dealing.

6 (rr) "Goods" means all things that are movable when a security interest attaches. The term in-  
7 cludes (i) fixtures, (ii) standing timber that is to be cut and removed under a conveyance or contract  
8 for sale, (iii) the unborn young of animals, (iv) crops grown, growing or to be grown, even if the  
9 crops are produced on trees, vines or bushes, and (v) manufactured structures. The term also in-  
10 cludes a computer program embedded in goods and any supporting information provided in con-  
11 nection with a transaction relating to the program if (i) the program is associated with the goods  
12 in such a manner that it customarily is considered part of the goods, or (ii) by becoming the owner  
13 of the goods, a person acquires a right to use the program in connection with the goods. The term  
14 does not include a computer program embedded in goods that consist solely of the medium in which  
15 the program is embedded. The term also does not include accounts, chattel paper, commercial tort  
16 claims, deposit accounts, documents, general intangibles, instruments, investment property, letter-  
17 of-credit rights, letters of credit, money or oil, gas or other minerals before extraction.

18 (ss) "Governmental unit" means a subdivision, agency, department, county, parish, municipality  
19 or other unit of the government of the United States, a state or a foreign country. The term includes  
20 an organization having a separate corporate existence if the organization is eligible to issue debt  
21 on which interest is exempt from income taxation under the laws of the United States.

22 (tt) "Health-care-insurance receivable" means an interest in or claim under a policy of insurance  
23 which is a right to payment of a monetary obligation for health-care goods or services provided.

24 (uu) "Instrument" means a negotiable instrument or any other writing that evidences a right to  
25 the payment of a monetary obligation, is not itself a security agreement or lease, and is of a type  
26 that in ordinary course of business is transferred by delivery with any necessary indorsement or  
27 assignment. The term does not include (i) investment property, (ii) letters of credit or (iii) writings  
28 that evidence a right to payment arising out of the use of a credit or charge card or information  
29 contained on or for use with the card.

30 (vv) "Inventory" means goods, other than farm products, which:

31 (A) Are leased by a person as lessor;

32 (B) Are held by a person for sale or lease or to be furnished under a contract of service;

33 (C) Are furnished by a person under a contract of service; or

34 (D) Consist of raw materials, work in process, or materials used or consumed in a business.

35 (ww) "Investment property" means a security, whether certificated or uncertificated, security  
36 entitlement, securities account, commodity contract or commodity account.

37 (xx) "Jurisdiction of organization," with respect to a registered organization, means the juris-  
38 diction under whose law the organization is organized.

39 (yy) "Letter-of-credit right" means a right to payment or performance under a letter of credit,  
40 whether or not the beneficiary has demanded or is at the time entitled to demand payment or per-  
41 formance. The term does not include the right of a beneficiary to demand payment or performance  
42 under a letter of credit.

43 (zz) "Lien creditor" means:

44 (A) A creditor that has acquired a lien on the property involved by attachment, levy or the like;

45 (B) An assignee for benefit of creditors from the time of assignment;

- 1 (C) A trustee in bankruptcy from the date of the filing of the petition; or  
2 (D) A receiver in equity from the time of appointment.
- 3 (aaa) “Manufactured structure” has the meaning given that term in ORS 446.561.  
4 (bbb) “Manufactured-structure transaction” means a secured transaction:
- 5 (A) That creates a purchase-money security interest in a manufactured structure, other than a  
6 manufactured structure held as inventory; or  
7 (B) In which a manufactured structure, other than a manufactured structure held as inventory,  
8 is the primary collateral.
- 9 (ccc) “Mortgage” means a consensual interest in real property, including fixtures, which secures  
10 payment or performance of an obligation.
- 11 (ddd) “New debtor” means a person that becomes bound as debtor under ORS 79.0203 (4) by a  
12 security agreement previously entered into by another person.
- 13 (eee) “New value” means (i) money, (ii) money’s worth in property, services or new credit, or (iii)  
14 release by a transferee of an interest in property previously transferred to the transferee. The term  
15 does not include an obligation substituted for another obligation.
- 16 (fff) “Noncash proceeds” means proceeds other than cash proceeds.
- 17 (ggg) “Obligor” means a person that, with respect to an obligation secured by a security interest  
18 in or an agricultural lien on the collateral, (i) owes payment or other performance of the obligation,  
19 (ii) has provided property other than the collateral to secure payment or other performance of the  
20 obligation, or (iii) is otherwise accountable in whole or in part for payment or other performance  
21 of the obligation. The term does not include issuers or nominated persons under a letter of credit.
- 22 (hhh) “Original debtor,” except as used in ORS 79.0310 (3), means a person that, as debtor, en-  
23 tered into a security agreement to which a new debtor has become bound under ORS 79.0203 (4).
- 24 (iii) “Payment intangible” means a general intangible under which the account debtor’s principal  
25 obligation is a monetary obligation.
- 26 (jjj) “Person related to,” with respect to an individual, means:
- 27 (A) The spouse of the individual;  
28 (B) A brother, brother-in-law, sister or sister-in-law of the individual;  
29 (C) An ancestor or lineal descendant of the individual or the individual’s spouse; or  
30 (D) Any other relative, by blood or marriage, of the individual or the individual’s spouse who  
31 shares the same home with the individual.
- 32 (kkk) “Person related to,” with respect to an organization, means:
- 33 (A) A person directly or indirectly controlling, controlled by, or under common control with the  
34 organization;  
35 (B) An officer or director of, or a person performing similar functions with respect to, the or-  
36 ganization;  
37 (C) An officer or director of, or a person performing similar functions with respect to, a person  
38 described in subparagraph (A) of this paragraph;  
39 (D) The spouse of an individual described in subparagraph (A), (B) or (C) of this paragraph; or  
40 (E) An individual who is related by blood or marriage to an individual described in subpara-  
41 graph (A), (B), (C) or (D) of this paragraph and shares the same home with the individual.
- 42 (LLL) “Proceeds,” except as used in ORS 79.0609 (2), means the following property:
- 43 (A) Whatever is acquired upon the sale, lease, license, exchange or other disposition of collat-  
44 eral;  
45 (B) Whatever is collected on, or distributed on account of, collateral;

1 (C) Rights arising out of collateral;

2 (D) To the extent of the value of collateral, claims arising out of the loss, nonconformity or in-  
3 terference with the use of, defects or infringement of rights in, or damage to, the collateral; or

4 (E) To the extent of the value of collateral and to the extent payable to the debtor or the se-  
5 cured party, insurance payable by reason of the loss or nonconformity of, defects or infringement  
6 of rights in, or damage to, the collateral.

7 (mmm) "Promissory note" means an instrument that evidences a promise to pay a monetary ob-  
8 ligation, does not evidence an order to pay, and does not contain an acknowledgment by a bank that  
9 the bank has received for deposit a sum of money or funds.

10 (nnn) "Proposal" means a record authenticated by a secured party which includes the terms on  
11 which the secured party is willing to accept collateral in full or partial satisfaction of the obligation  
12 it secures pursuant to ORS 79.0620, 79.0621 and 79.0622.

13 (ooo) "Public-finance transaction" means a secured transaction in connection with which:

14 (A) Debt securities are issued;

15 (B) All or a portion of the securities issued have an initial stated maturity of at least 20 years;  
16 and

17 (C) The debtor, obligor, secured party, account debtor or other person obligated on collateral,  
18 assignor or assignee of a secured obligation, or assignor or assignee of a security interest is a state  
19 or a governmental unit of a state.

20 (ppp) "Pursuant to commitment," with respect to an advance made or other value given by a  
21 secured party, means pursuant to the secured party's obligation, whether or not a subsequent event  
22 of default or other event not within the secured party's control has relieved or may relieve the se-  
23 cured party from its obligation.

24 (qqq) "Record," except as used in "for record," "of record," "record or legal title" and "record  
25 owner," means information that is inscribed on a tangible medium or which is stored in an elec-  
26 tronic or other medium and is retrievable in perceivable form.

27 (rrr) "Registered organization" means an organization organized solely under the law of a single  
28 state or the United States and as to which the state or the United States is required by statute or  
29 regulation to maintain a public record showing the organization to have been organized.

30 (sss) "Secondary obligor" means an obligor to the extent that:

31 (A) The obligor's obligation is secondary; or

32 (B) The obligor has a right of recourse with respect to an obligation secured by collateral  
33 against the debtor, another obligor, or property of either.

34 (ttt) "Secured party" means:

35 (A) A person in whose favor a security interest is created or provided for under a security  
36 agreement, whether or not any obligation to be secured is outstanding;

37 (B) A person that holds an agricultural lien;

38 (C) A consignor;

39 (D) A person to which accounts, chattel paper, payment intangibles or promissory notes have  
40 been sold;

41 (E) A trustee, indenture trustee, agent, collateral agent or other representative in whose favor  
42 a security interest or agricultural lien is created or provided for; or

43 (F) A person that holds a security interest arising under ORS 72.4010, 72.5050, 72.7110 (3),  
44 72A.5080 (5), 74.2100 or 75.1180.

45 (uuu) "Security agreement" means an agreement that creates or provides for a security interest.

1 (vvv) “Send,” in connection with a record or notification, means:

2 (A) To deposit in the mail, deliver for transmission, or transmit by any other usual means of  
 3 communication, with postage or cost of transmission provided for, addressed to any address reason-  
 4 able under the circumstances; or

5 (B) To cause the record or notification to be received within the time that it would have been  
 6 received if properly sent under subparagraph (A) of this paragraph.

7 (www) “Software” means a computer program and any supporting information provided in con-  
 8 nection with a transaction relating to the program. The term does not include a computer program  
 9 that is included in the definition of goods.

10 (xxx) “State” means a state of the United States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the  
 11 United States Virgin Islands or any territory or insular possession subject to the jurisdiction of the  
 12 United States.

13 (yyy) “Supporting obligation” means a letter-of-credit right or secondary obligation that supports  
 14 the payment or performance of an account, chattel paper, a document, a general intangible, an in-  
 15 strument or investment property.

16 (zzz) “Tangible chattel paper” means chattel paper evidenced by a record or records consisting  
 17 of information that is inscribed on a tangible medium.

18 (aaaa) “Termination statement” means an amendment of a financing statement which:

19 (A) Identifies, by its file number, the initial financing statement to which it relates; and

20 (B) Indicates either that it is a termination statement or that the identified financing statement  
 21 is no longer effective.

22 (bbbb) “Transmitting utility” means an organization primarily engaged in the business of:

23 (A) Operating a railroad, subway, street railway or trolley bus;

24 (B) Transmitting communications electrically, electromagnetically or by light;

25 (C) Transmitting goods by pipeline or sewer; or

26 (D) Transmitting or producing and transmitting electricity, steam, gas or water.

27 (2) The following definitions in other sections apply to this chapter:

28	“Applicant”	ORS 75.1020
29	“Beneficiary”	ORS 75.1020
30	“Broker”	ORS 78.1020
31	“Certificated security”	ORS 78.1020
32	“Check”	ORS 73.0104
33	“Clearing corporation”	ORS 78.1020
34	“Contract for sale”	ORS 72.1060
35	“Customer”	ORS 74.1040
36	“Entitlement holder”	ORS 78.1020
37	“Financial asset”	ORS 78.1020
38	“Holder in due course”	ORS 73.0302
39	“Issuer” (with respect	
40	to a letter of credit or	
41	letter-of-credit right)	ORS 75.1020
42	“Issuer” (with respect	
43	to a security)	ORS 78.2010
44	“Lease”	ORS 72A.1030
45	“Lease agreement”	ORS 72A.1030



1	“Lease contract”	ORS 72A.1030
2	“Leasehold interest”	ORS 72A.1030
3	“Lessee”	ORS 72A.1030
4	“Lessee in ordinary course	
5	of business”	ORS 72A.1030
6	“Lessor”	ORS 72A.1030
7	“Lessor’s residual	
8	interest”	ORS 72A.1030
9	“Letter of credit”	ORS 75.1020
10	“Merchant”	ORS 72.1040
11	“Negotiable instrument”	ORS 73.0104
12	“Nominated person”	ORS 75.1020
13	“Note”	ORS 73.0104
14	“Proceeds of a letter	
15	of credit”	ORS 75.1140
16	“Prove”	ORS 73.0103
17	“Sale”	ORS 72.1060
18	<b>“Securities account”</b>	<b>ORS 78.5010</b>
19	“Securities intermediary”	ORS 78.1020
20	“Security”	ORS 78.1020
21	“Security certificate”	ORS 78.1020
22	“Security entitlement”	ORS 78.1020
23	“Uncertificated security”	ORS 78.1020

24 (3) ORS chapter 71 contains general definitions and principles of construction and interpretation  
 25 applicable throughout this chapter.

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