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FISCAL: Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued

Action: Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Extends the exception to licensing requirements of private security personnel to persons employed for the purpose of controlling entrance to a premises controlled by a licensee of the Oregon Liquor Control Commission (OLCC). Modifies the exception for individuals who monitor fire alarm systems.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Bouncers employed for the purpose of providing security simultaneous with controlling access
- Country fairs and music festivals with multiple gate access points
- Problem venues in the greater Portland metro area
- Types of alarm systems

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Adds an exception for persons who monitor alarm systems under ORS 181.871(g).

BACKGROUND: ORS 181.871 provides exemptions to the licensing requirements generally required of individuals working in private security. Individuals working in private security are subject to a range of requirements under ORS 181.870 to 181.887, governing training, licensing and other requirements. The existing statutory structure provides for a range of exempted classes, including a person performing crowd management or guest services, including but not limited to a ticket taker, usher, parking attendant, event staff or person employed for the purpose of age verification by a licensee of the OLCC, who is not armed and not hired primarily for law enforcement actions. Senate Bill 878 A would expand the OLCC exception to cover individuals tasked by an OLCC licensee to control access at the entrance of the premises.

ORS 181.871(g) provides that a person who monitors fire alarm systems and other alarm systems that are not designed to detect unauthorized intrusions while monitoring such systems. Senate Bill 878 A modifies this exception to cover persons who monitor alarm systems that are not designed to detect threats to public safety or personal well-being.