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FROM: Eriks Gabliks, Director

SUBJECT: House Bill 3487

Background: ORS Chapter 703 gives the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training (DPSST) the authority to grant licensure to individuals in the State of Oregon who meet the established minimum standards for private investigators found in law and rule. Additionally, ORS 703.465 gives DPSST the authority to revoke or deny licensure when these minimum standards are no longer met. The licensure fees paid by private investigators currently fund one Compliance Specialist 3 position whose primary duties include ensuring individuals comply with current laws and rules and also investigating allegations of non-compliance.

HB 3487 adds to the list of conduct required of private investigators the requirement that the investigator's name and DPSST-issued license number be included in any advertisement of investigatory services.

Effect of HB 3487 on the DPSST: It is not expected that the passage of HB 3487 would have a significant impact on DPSST's current processes or workload with regard to the private investigation licensing program. Should this bill become law, DPSST would work in consultation with the Private Investigator Subcommittee, the Private Security and Investigator Policy Committee, the Board on Public Safety Standards and Training and private investigation constituents to ensure the new requirement is recognized and enforced appropriately.