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FROM: Linsay Hale, Professional Standards Division Director

SUBJECT: House Bill 4142

Summary: ORS Chapter 181A gives the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training (DPSST) the authority to grant certification or licensure to individuals in the State of Oregon who meet the established minimum standards for providers of private security services found in law and rule. Additionally, ORS 181A.870 gives DPSST the authority to revoke or deny certification or licensure when these minimum standards are no longer met. Finally, ORS 181A.995 grants the Board on Public Safety Standards and Training (Board) the authority to impose a civil penalty not to exceed \$1,500 per violation for failure to comply with any law or rule governing private security providers in this state.

The certification and licensure fees paid by private security providers currently fund three Compliance Specialist positions whose primary duties include ensuring individuals comply with current laws and rules and also investigating allegations of non-compliance.

HB 4142 makes it unlawful for providers of private security services to wear a uniform or badge or utilize a vehicle that would cause a reasonable person to believe that the person is affiliated with public or private safety agency as defined by ORS 181A.355.

Effect of HB 4142 on DPSST: It is not expected that the passage of HB 4142 would have a significant impact on DPSST's current processes or workload with regard to the private security certification/licensing program. Should this bill become law, DPSST would work in consultation with the Private Security [Investigator] Policy Committee, the Board and the private security constituents to ensure the new prohibition is recognized and enforced appropriately.