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To: Ways and Means Full CommitteeFrom: Public Safety SubcommitteeRe: HB 5031 Department of State Police

Senator Winters: "HB 5031 is the budget bill for the Department of State Police. The State Police protect the people, property, and natural resources of Oregon. They provide highway patrol, criminal investigations, fish and wildlife law enforcement, forensic lab services, criminal justice information systems, enforcement of gaming laws, and house the State Fire Marshal and the State Medical Examiner.

The Public Safety Subcommittee approved an all-funds budget of \$427.9 million, with 1,315 positions and \$1,293.62 FTE. The budget both maintains current service levels and reduces the need for General Fund due to a \$26.1 million shift of expenses onto marijuana tax revenues in the Criminal Investigations Division. Marijuana tax revenues also support the purchase of 33 new patrol vehicles and moving the Pendleton Forensic Lab in 2017-19. \$700,000 of grant funds received in April for tracking and inventorying SAFE kits are also included in this budget.

The Public Safety Subcommittee recommends HB 5031 be amended by the -1 amendment and be reported out do pass, as amended."