

TO: Senate Committee on Judiciary & Ballot Measure 110 Implementation

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RE: Amendment to SB 116

The Oregon Alliance of Independent Colleges and Universities is the voice of Oregon's independent, non-profit higher education sector, actively supporting the success of our member colleges and universities, their students, and alumni.

Two years ago, the Alliance was pleased to be invited to the table by Aaron Knott of DOJ to discuss with the Sawyer family, law enforcement, public universitates and others the statutory provisions that resulted in Kaylee's Law. As you know, SB 576 in 2019 made changes to campus security activities, authorities, automobiles and accessories. In light of the Kaylee Sawyer tragedy, the goal was to make clear who was campus security and what they were allowed to do in that capacity. The bill resulted in:

- Nationwide criminal records checks of all private security providers;
- Prohibition of private security professionals having stop and frisk authority;
- Vehicles being equipped with global positioning system devices (GPS), video cameras recording scene from vehicle, or a dispatch system that records calls and retention of information for at least 90 days;
- Campus officer uniforms being differentiated from the uniform of any law enforcement officer certified by Department of Public Safety Standards and Training (DPSST), including designation of "campus security," school logo or school colors;
- Restrictions and requirements on campus security vehicles, including clearly identifying
 the vehicle as campus security, prohibiting the use of red and blue light bars, prohibiting
 use of ramming bumpers, and prohibiting use of cages; and,
- Prompt notification to local law enforcement when campus security makes probable cause arrest

This language went into ORS 181A.912 which is specific to "Security on Campus" – we call it **Kaylee's Law**.

We are concerned that SB 116 seemingly alters these changes. In addition, in a recent conversation, **DPSST clarified that the legislation was not meant to apply to campus security**. "Private security provider" is a broad term that includes campus security as well as event, business, retail, and neighbor security or patrol. These later entities were the focus. Hence, we ask for an amendment.

SB 116 deals with ORS 181A.893, the statute directly before Kaylee's Law. We request clarification language that simply says *ORS 181.893 does not apply to special campus security providers and private security providers on campuses of institutions of higher education regulated in OR 181A.912*

Thank you for your time and your continued dedication to the safety of all Oregonians.