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## HB 2572 Additional Testimony.

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Both HB 2572 and the one proposed amendment contain the phrase:

"Private paramilitary organization" means any group of three or more persons <u>associating under a command structure</u>..."

This language would specifically exempt the groups that are responsible for the "civil disorder" that has plagued Oregon for the last several years.

It has regularly, and falsely, been contended that groups like "antifa" are merely an "ideology" with no organization or structure. They simply all arrive, organically, at the same place and time armed and engaging in violence and destruction by happy coincidence.

This language needs to be stricken and a far more robust protection for private security companies must be included, especially now when they are providing the protection our police no longer can.

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